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Washington, Dec. 17.—Probably the most important problem, affecting agriculture, which will come before the new Congress has to do with transportation. The high railroad rates now prevailing on farm products are an absolute barrier to agricultural prosperity and must be changed. While the matter of rates is not one on which Congress can pass directly, being in the hands of the Interstate Commerce Commission, Congress may move to help (the situation through amendments to the transportation.

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Farmers are interested, of course, in the proposed tax reduction. But they want it worked out so that it will benefit not only the payer of surtaxes and the men with big incomes, but the small taxpayer—the average farmer—as well. Personal-

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There's a chance left for some good fellows of Bismarck to get into action through the "Alias Santa Claus Club."

With a few additions to the club over Sunday, and with also the addition of a few more families through the Social Registration Bureau, there still is plenty of opportunity for service along this line.

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Master, Dec. 17.—Prof. d'Estor, one of the few lecturers on journalism in German universities, has been compelled to abandon his work in the university here. His dwelling house fell down and he was unable to obtain living quarters through the housing commission.

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Christmas Buying Season Enters Upon Its Final Lap With a Big Rush

POSTOFFICE BUSY

Extra Help Put on to Clear up the Big Rush of Christmas Business

Christmas shoppers entered on the last lap of their race against time today.

Just six more shopping days before Christmas. And if packages are to be sent any distance, they must get on their way within a couple of days to insure delivery before Christmas.

Already Bismarck citizens have sent packages through the local postoffice to every part of the country and to foreign lands, and Saturday the shopping was especially brisk.

The postoffice has put on extra help and is prepared for a big week. But the "Shop Early, Mail Early" slogan was presented with unusual emphasis today.

Here are some postoffice rules which may help the sender to get his package to its destination and surely will help the postoffice clear up the Christmas business with dispatch:

Prepay postage fully on all matter. Address all matter plainly and completely, giving street address where possible.

Place sender's name and address in the upper left corner of address side.

Pack articles carefully in durable and strong containers.

Wrap parcels securely but do not seal them except when hearing a printed label or indorsement reading, "Postage Paid."

Parcels may be opened for postal inspection if necessary, as sealed parcels not so labeled or indorsed are subject to postage at the letter rate.

Parcels may be marked "Do not open until Christmas."

Insure valuable parcels. Do not inclose letters with parcels, as doing so would subject entire parcels to letter postage.

Writing greetings such as "Merry Christmas," "Happy New Year," "With Best Wishes" and names, numbers or symbols for the purpose of decoration may be included with fourth-class (parcels post) mail.

Books may bear simple dedicatory inscriptions not of a personal nature. Other written addresses subject parcels to letter postage. Communications prepaid, at the first-class rate may be sent with parcels prepaid at the fourth-class rate by securely attaching the envelopes containing the letters or other written matter to outside of parcel.

GROCCERS OF STATE ANSWER

Declare Association Is Not Formed For Price-Fixing

Formal answer to the Federal Trade Commission's citation against the North Dakota Wholesale Grocers Association will be made, H. J. Duemeland of Bismarck, president of the association, said today. Individual answers probably will be made by C. O. Follett of Fargo, vice-president; J. E. MacLean of Grand Forks, secretary-treasurer, and the 14 wholesale houses in the association, he added.

Mr. Duemeland characterized the proceeding, which summons the association to Washington on January 5, 1924, as ridiculous, especially with reference to the charge that the association has combined to fix prices.

The answer of Mr. Duemeland says the purpose of the association is "to foster and promote a feeling of fellowship and good will among the members of the association and to advance the welfare of the wholesale grocery trade in the territory of the members, on broad and equitable lines, and to minimize and eliminate abuses and methods and practices inimical to the proper conduct of the business."

3 CHILDREN ARE VICTIMS OF EXPLOSION

Fourth Injured on Farm Near Brantford, North Dakota, Is Expected to Die

GAS PUMP EXPLODED

Parents Make Effort to Save Children From Burning To Death, But Fail

Fargo, Dec. 17.—Three children ranging from two and one-half to eight years of age are dead and a fourth is expected to die as a result of an explosion caused by a gasoline pump on the farm of Walter Cree, station agent for the Great Northern at Brantford, North Dakota, last Wednesday evening, according to a belated dispatch received this noon by the Fargo Forum.

The dead are Charles, 2 1/2 years old, Gene, aged 6, who died at the time of the accident, Helen, aged 8, who died Sunday.

William, aged 4, the fourth child, is expected to die, being severely burned about the body and face. Nettie, the other child, escaped the flames, the dispatch said, although her hair was badly singed.

The explosion occurred, the dispatch added, when Mr. Cree was pumping the air into the gasoline pressure lamp. The burning oil was thrown over the five children in the instantly.

The mother and father worked feverishly in an effort to put out the flames, wrapping them in a table cloth, at the same time taking them from the burning kitchen in which had suddenly become a burning inferno.

Although the explosion resulted in the loss of three and possibly four lives, only small damage was done to the residence, the message reported.

BIG NET GAIN ON HOGS MADE IN DIVIDE CO.

Farmer Shows How Well Balanced Rations Made Big Money on Bunch of Hogs

W. C. Martin, a farmer living 13 miles south of Crosby, N. Dak., made a big net gain on 10 grade Duroc-Jersey pigs, farrowed from one sow during the past summer by feeding well-balanced rations with sufficient pasture and "hogging off" corn. The sow, a grade Duroc-Jersey, farrowed on April 23 a uniform litter of 10 pigs sired by a pure-bred Duroc-Jersey boar.

The cost of feeding the 10 pigs and the sow was as follows:
35 bu. cracked wheat \$35.00
300 lbs. shorts 3.00
1 A. corn "hogged off" 15.00
55 bu. ground barley 21.45
20 bu. Speltz 8.00
10 bu. rye 6.00
Total cost of feed \$118.45

One pig killed on November 5 dressed 155 lbs. 9 pigs killed on December 8, dressed 1887 lbs. Total weight dressed 2032 lbs. or an average weight of 203.2 lbs. each at less than 7 1/2 months of age.

The pigs were sold dressed at 10c per lb. making \$203.20 gross returns. Net returns were \$55.75 on the pigs plus 220 lbs. gain in live weight on the sow.

A study of these figures will show that the production of pigs in Divide County can be made a profitable enterprise even under the present poor conditions. Selling dressed pigs at 10c per lb. is the lowest figure which has been known in this territory during the past 10 years. A further study of the foregoing record will show that Mr. Martin figured cost of grain at actual elevator prices thus saving himself the cost of hauling it 13 miles to market.

THIRTY MINERS ARE ENTOMBED

Tokio, Dec. 17.—(By the A. P.)—Thirty miners were entombed in a coal mines at Kusyu near Fukuoka prefecture in southwestern Japan this morning and are held prisoners by gas in the workings, according to advices received here. Collapse of portions of mines entombed the men. Rescue work is proceeding with extreme difficulty and it is feared that attempts to rescue the miners will prove unavailing.

GIVE \$200,000 CREDIT TO MILL

The Industrial Commission has authorized \$200,000 additional credit for the mill and elevator at Grand Forks, to be provided through a loan by the Bank of North Dakota. Recently \$300,000 was made available for C. E. Austin, general manager of the mill. The money is to be used as working capital for the mill.

"OIL BUBBLE" INVESTORS MAY HAVE LOSS NEAR 10 MILLION

\$200,000 FIRE DAMAGE DONE

Columbus, Ga., Dec. 17.—Fire of undetermined origin which for several hours threatened the heart of the retail business district of Columbus caused an estimated damage of \$200,000 before it was brought under control.

BANKER GOES TO PEN BUT KEEPS SPIRIT

Howard Disher, Respected Cashier Most of His Life, Enters for Long Term

EMBEZZLED FOR OTHERS

Declares He Did Not Get Money Embezzled and Also Lost All Property

Howard Disher, a respected bank cashier most of his life, today is facing the dreary prospect of seven and one-half years imprisonment in the state penitentiary with only a vague hope for the future but without complaint.

Disher, who pleaded guilty to embezzling \$22,000 of the funds of the closed Bank of Alameda, endured his first day of imprisonment when he went into the penitentiary Saturday. During the period of his arrest and after his sentence by Judge Butts of Devils Lake, he says, he never was put behind the bars, and came and went as he pleased. He wanted to come to the prison unaccompanied, but the court advised against it.

Disher's embezzlement is one of the largest in a North Dakota bank in years. It extended over a period of about four years, he told an interviewer.

"I never got a penny myself," said Disher. "There's nothing hidden. I forged notes to prove the additional capital." He was indicted by St. Paul banks on paper we had there to save the Bank of Alameda. And I lost all my property—my bank stock and equity in several farms."

Disher, at the age of 47, is in prison while his wife must support herself, a eight-year-old daughter and a two-year-old son by teaching school.

Takes His Medicine.
"I forged the notes and I'm taking my medicine," he said, "but I didn't get the money."

Disher's downfall he says chiefly to his excursions outside the banking business. He was handling automobiles, and he put the notes of farmer buyers in the bank, took the farmer's money and the buyers couldn't pay the notes when due. I was the pinch began to come, with the slump in agricultural prices. Collections were rather slow and the bank didn't push farmers in 1920, he said. Things went from bad to worse, he tried to keep the bank open and resorted to forgery and embezzlement.

"Too many banks," was another reason he assigned for his present plight. There was competition among the banks, and there were too many loans and too big loans," he said. While the war prices prevailed things went along nicely, but later the crash came.

To Keep Spirits.
Disher got a heavier sentence than he expected. He hopes to reduce his imprisonment through good behavior and helpfulness. He hasn't been assigned any duty yet, but he expects to do clerical or bookkeeping work, such as he had done in the banking business.

"I don't know what I'll do after this is over," he said. "The sentiment is not against me up there around Olmstead, but I have lost everything. I'm going to try and keep myself in good shape physically and keep up spirits, though."

A little man physically, slightly gray and a wearer of heavy glasses, Disher's voice trembled as his family was mentioned and he speculated on the future. But he still clings to the hope of coming back somehow in the future.

GOLF SEASON CONTINUES IN BISMARCK; BASEBALL IS TALKED

The golf season still continues in Bismarck, though it has been impeded in Texas and other southern states by winter. The Country Club links yesterday provided sport for about as many players as ordinarily occupy the course during the summer.

There are some baseball enthusiasts seriously thinking of promoting a Christmas Day game if the weather continues as it times in the past two weeks.

The duck hunters wonder why the season is over, with many ducks reported still here, and the rabbit hunters say the hunting is not good without snow on the ground.

The automobile season also continues. One dealer reports that sales during December have been as large as the sales during a summer month.

Saturday the temperature reached 55 degrees, with a bright sun shining, while the minimum Saturday was 25.

No, the weather bureau don't make long range forecasts. But the forecast for tomorrow is for about the same kind of fine weather.

MEXICO CITY NOW OBJECT OF CAMPAIGN

Claim to Have Captured City Within Fifty Miles of the Capital

GENERALS BREAK

Rebels Also Claim Addition of Two Leaders in Fight on Obregon

(By the Associated Press.)

President Obregon, according to the meagre dispatches from Mexico has completed the organization of his western forces in their drive against the rebel stronghold of Guadalupe and turned his attention to the east where the rebel threat from Vera Cruz is apparently threatening the capital.

Advices from the government sides as to its military movement is almost lacking but the rebel headquarters at Vera Cruz claims success. The rebels now say that they hold Puebla City, and Cuatla, the two lower points of an irregular triangle which has Mexico City as its apex. Puebla is only 46 miles southeast of the capital.

General Obregon's private secretary in a message received at the American border says the president is confident his troops will remain loyal and that the uprising will quickly be quelled. He is encouraged not only by expressions of loyalty of workers but by reports of differences among the rebels, some of whom are said to be anxious for a split with De La Huerta, the presidential candidate who headed the movement from the start.

Vera Cruz, Dec. 17.—With the reported capture of Puebla and Cuatla, revolutionary headquarters here today claimed they held the two lower points of a triangle which has Mexico City as its apex. Cuatla, which was taken yesterday according to an insurgent communique, is within 50 miles of the capital. Generals in command of the occupying forces in the two cities are in close communication, it was stated at headquarters here.

General Art Figueroa, in the state of Guerrero and General J. Lagunes, operating in the border states have broken with the Obregon government, the statement asserted.

El Paso, Dec. 17.—The outstanding development of the revolutionary movement as far as the Mexican border is concerned was the arrest here late last night of a man giving the name of Colonel Lopez and who is said to be a revolutionary leader, the official report by Colonel Raymond Lopez, commander of the Juarez garrison of a clash between federal troops and fiscal guards 38 miles east of Juarez Sunday, said.

Francisco Torrealba, private secretary of President Obregon, has wired the El Paso Times that the "first formal fighting" probably will be over Sunday or Monday, and he added that "all probabilities indicate the rebel forces will be completely routed."

TOMPKINS IS SENTENCED

Will Be Sent to the Inane Hospital at Waupun

Milwaukee, Dec. 17.—E. Ray Tompkins, real estate man, and former instructor at the Milwaukee Normal school charged with the murder of his wife, Oro Belle Tompkins was ordered committed to the criminal insane hospital at Waupun today by Judge A. C. Backus in municipal court here.

A stay of execution until Thursday was granted.

STARK COUNTY TAX SALE NETS BIG AMOUNT

Dickinson, N. D., Dec. 17.—The delinquent tax sale conducted by County Auditor W. H. Smith, netted the exact amount of taxes sold to private individuals. The county bid in taxes totaling only \$2,537.01. Most of this amount was city lots and a few isolated farm tracts.

The delinquent tax lot was much smaller this year and this with the successful sale this week indicates that the county is getting in better financial shape. The bidding at the sale at times was spirited and some taxes were sold with the interest rate of 9 per cent. Most of it now ever sold at 12 with no competitive bidding.

Among local men who bought were H. A. Macbeth, Adam A. Lefor, David Barnden, C. C. Turner and others.

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fourth-class (parcels post) mail.
Books may bear simple dedicatory
inscriptions not of a personal na-
ture. Other written additions sub-
ject parcels to letter postage. Com-
munications prepaid, at the first-
class rate may be sent with parcels
prepaid at the fourth-class rate by
securely attaching the envelopes con-
taining the letters or other written
matter to outside of parcel.

GROCCERS OF STATE ANSWER

Declare Association Is Not
Formed For Price-Fixing

Formal answer to the Federal
Trade Commission's citation against
the North Dakota Wholesale Grocers
Association will be made by J. J.
Duemeland of Bismarck, president
of the association, said today. In-
dividual answers probably will be
made by C. O. Follett of Fargo, vice-
president; J. E. MacLean of Grand
Forks, secretary-treasurer, and the
14 wholesale houses in the associa-
tion, he added.

Mr. Duemeland characterized the
proceeding, which summons the as-
sociation to Washington on January
6, 1924, as ridiculous, especially with
reference to the charge that the as-
sociation has combined to fix prices.

The answer of Mr. Duemeland says
the purpose of the association is "to
foster and promote a feeling of fel-
lowship and good will among the
members of the association and to
advance the welfare of the whole-
sale grocery trade in the territory of
the members, on broad and equitable
lines, and to minimize and eliminate
abuses and methods and practices
inimical to the proper conduct of the
business."

The answer denies any undertak-
ing or agreement to fix prices and
urges that the purpose of the as-
sociation is to aid in enactment and
enforcement of pure food laws, to
bring about conformity of state and
enforcement of pure food laws, to
discourage unfair competition and
unfair business practice. The trade
commission is asked to dismiss the
proceeding. Newton, Dullam and
Young of Bismarck and Murphy and
Toner of Grand Forks represent var-
ious members of the association.

THEIR SILVER WEDDING

Wilton, N. D., Dec. 17.—Mr. and
Mrs. P. K. Eastman, pioneer resi-
dents of Wilton were tendered a
surprise Friday evening at the East-
man home by a number of their
friends, the event being the twenty-
fifth anniversary of their marriage.

3 CHILDREN ARE VICTIMS OF EXPLOSION

Fourth Injured on Farm Near
Brantford, North Dakota,
Is Expected to Die

GAS PUMP EXPLODED

Parents Make Effort to Save
Children From Burning
To Death, But Fail

Fargo, Dec. 17.—Three children
ranging from two and one-half to
eight years of age are dead and a
fourth is expected to die as a re-
sult of an explosion caused by a
gasoline pressure pump on the farm
of Walter Cree, station agent for
the Great Northern at Brantford,
North Dakota, last Wednesday eve-
ning, according to a belated dispatch
received this noon by the Fargo
Forum. The dead are Charles, 2 1-2
years old, Gene, aged 6, who died at
the time of the accident, Helen aged
8, who died Sunday.

William, aged 4, the fourth child,
is expected to die, being severely
burned about the body and face. Net-
tie, the other child, escaped the
flames, the dispatch said, although
her hair was badly singed.

The explosion occurred, the dis-
patch added, when Mr. Cree was
pumping the air into the gasoline
pressure lamp. The burning oil was
thrown over the five children in-
stantly. The mother and father
worked feverishly in an effort to
put out the flames, wrapping them
in a table cloth, at the same time
taking them from the burning kitch-
en which had suddenly become a
burning inferno.

Although the explosion resulted
in the loss of three and possibly four
lives, only small damage was done
to the residence, the message report-
ed.

BIG NET GAIN ON HOGS MADE IN DIVIDE CO.

Farmer Shows How Well Bal-
anced Rations Made Big
Money on Bunch of Hogs

W. C. Martin, a farmer living 13
miles south of Crosby, N. Dak.,
made a big net gain on 10 grade
Duroc-Jersey pigs, farrowed from
one sow during the past summer by
feeding well-balanced rations with
sufficient pasture and "hogging off"
corn. The sow, a grade Duroc-Jer-
sey, farrowed on April 23 a uniform
litter of 10 pigs sired by a pure-bred
Duroc-Jersey boar.

The cost of feeding the 10 pigs
and the sow was as follows:
35 bu. cracked wheat \$35.00
300 lbs. shorts 3.00
1 A. corn "hogged off" 15.00
55 bu. ground barley 21.45
20 bu. Speltz 8.00
10 bu. rye 6.00
Total cost of feed \$118.45

One pig killed on November 5
dressed 155 lbs. 9 pigs killed on
December 8, dressed 1897 lbs. Total
weight dressed 2022 lbs. or an aver-
age weight of 224.7 lbs. each at less
than 7 1-2 months of age.

The pigs were sold dressed at 10c
per lb. making \$202.20 gross returns.
Net returns were \$83.75 on the pigs
plus 220 lbs. gain in live weight on
the sow.

A study of these figures will show
that the production of pigs in Divide
County can be made a profitable en-
terprise even under the present poor
conditions. Selling dressed pigs at
10c per lb. is the lowest figure, which
has been known in this territory
during the past 10 years. A further
study of the foregoing record will
show that Mr. Martin figured cost
of grain at actual elevator prices
thus saving himself the cost of haul-
ing it 13 miles to market.

THIRTY MINERS ARE ENTOMBED

Tokio, Dec. 17.—(By the A. P.)—
Thirty miners were entombed in a
coal mine at Kasuya near Fukuka
prefecture in southwestern Japan
this morning and are held prisoners
of fate in the darkness, according to
advice received here. Collapses of
portions of mines entombed the men.
Rescue work is proceeding with ex-
treme difficulty and it is feared that
attempts to rescue the miners will
prove unavailing.

**GIVE \$200,000
CREDIT TO MILL**

The Industrial Commission has au-
thorized \$200,000 additional credit
for the mill and elevator at Grand
Forks, to be provided through a loan
by the Bank of North Dakota. Re-
cently \$300,000 was made available
for C. E. Austin, general manager of
the mill. The money is to be used
as working capital for the mill.

"OIL BUBBLE" INVESTORS MAY HAVE LOSS NEAR 10 MILLION

Chicago Authorities Still Pur-
suing Search For Leo
Koretz, Who Disappeared

BANKER GOES TO PEN BUT KEEPS SPIRIT

Howard Disher, Respected
Cashier Most of His Life,
Enters for Long Term

Chicago, Dec. 17.—(By the A. P.)
—Just before Leo Koretz, Chicago
"oil bubble" millionaire broker dis-
appeared on Dec. 6, leaving Chicago
"investors" wondering at the implicit
confidence they had placed in him,
he told friends in New York City
that he was going away on a long
trip and would be seen by them no
more. Koretz said "he was tired
and discouraged" and a sick man, and
he had to find rest for his overbur-
dened body.

This was disclosed by yesterday's
development in investigations into
the disappearance of Koretz, who
had separated from friends millions
of dollars by inducing them to in-
vest in alleged gigantic oil schemes,
chief of which was the Bayano River
Trust company of Panama.

The investigation disclosed that he
had dined with friends in New York
shortly before his disappearance and
had told them of his going. These
friends, also victims of Koretz's al-
leged schemes, said they had no idea
of his destination and when he left
he said he was going to meet associ-
ates to discuss arrangements for a
refinery deal in Georgia.

While the authorities were deliv-
ering into numerous "love nests" al-
ready brought to light and which
have been located in New York, Col-
orado Springs, and California, other
officials were preparing to question
Mrs. Mary Koretz, wife of the miss-
ing "broker" in a bankruptcy hear-
ing brought against him. Mrs.
Koretz's three brothers will also be
questioned and subpoenas have been
issued for numerous friends and ac-
quaintances of Koretz.

Morris Berkson, attorney, declared
yesterday that the hearings will re-
veal the Koretz victims lost a total
of closer to ten million dollars than
five million the last initial estimate.

Disher's embezzlement is one of
the largest in a North Dakota bank
in years. It extended over a period
of about four years, he told an in-
terviewer.

"I never got a penny myself," said
Disher. "There's nothing hidden. I
forged notes to provide additional
collateral demanded by St. Paul
banks on paper we had there to save
the Bank of Olmstead. And I lost
all my property—my bank stock and
equity in several farms."

Disher, at the age of 47, is in
prison while his wife must support
herself, a eight-year-old daughter
and a two-year-old son by teaching
school.

Takes His Medicine.
"I forged the notes and I'm taking
my medicine," he said, "but I didn't
get the money."
Disher's downfall he lays chiefly
to his excursions outside the bank-
ing business. He was handling au-
tomobiles, and he put the notes of
farmer buyers in the bank, took the
bank's money and the buyers couldn't
pay the notes when due. It was
about four years ago, he said, when
the pinch began to come, with the
slump in agricultural prices. Col-
lections were raising slow and the
bank didn't put farmers in 1920, he
said. Things went from bad to
worse, he tried to keep the bank open
and resorted to forgery and embez-
zlement.

"Too many banks," was another
reason he assigned for his present
plight. There was competition
among the banks, and there were too
many loans and too big loans," he
said. While the war prices prevail-
ed things went along nicely, but later
the crash came.

To Keep Spirits.
Disher got a heavier sentence than
he expected. He hopes to reduce his
imprisonment through good behavior
and helpfulness. He hasn't been as-
signed any duty yet, but he expects
to do clerical or bookkeeping work,
such as he had done in the banking
business.

"I don't know what I'll do after
this is over," he said. "The sentiment
is not against me up there around
Olmstead, but I've lost every-
thing. I'm going to try and keep
myself in good shape physically and
keep up spirits, though."

A little man physically, slightly
gray and a wearer of heavy glasses,
Disher's voice trembled as his family
was mentioned and he speculated on
the future. But he still clings to the
hope of coming back somehow in the
future.

EMBEZZLED FOR OTHERS

Declares He Did Not Get
Money Embezzled and
Also Lost All Property

Howard Disher, a respected bank
cashier most of his life, today is fac-
ing the dreary prospect of seven and
one-half years imprisonment in the
state penitentiary with only a vague
hope for the future but without com-
plaint.

Disher, who pleaded guilty to em-
bezzling \$32,000 of the funds of the
closed Bank of Olmstead, endured his
first day of imprisonment when he
went into the penitentiary Saturday.
During the period of his arrest and
after his sentence by Judge Buttz
of Devils Lake, he says, he never
was put behind the bars, and came
and went as he pleased. He wanted
to come to the prison unaccompanied,
but the court advised against it.

MEXICO CITY NOW OBJECT OF CAMPAIGN

Claim to Have Captured City
Within Fifty Miles of the
Capital

GENERALS BREAK

Rebels Also Claim Addition of
Two Leaders in Fight
on Obregon

(By the Associated Press.)
President Obregon, according to
the meagre dispatches from Mexico
has completed the organization of
his western forces in their drive
against the rebel stronghold of Guad-
alajara and turned his attention to
the east where the rebel thrust from
Veracruz is apparently threatening
the capital.

Advices from the government sides
as to its military movement are al-
most lacking but the rebel headquar-
ters at Veracruz claims successes.
The rebels now say that they hold
Puebla City, and Cuautla, the two
lower points of an irregular triangle
which has Mexico City as its apex.
Puebla is only 40 miles southeast of
the capital.

General Obregon's private secretary
in a message received at the Ameri-
can border says the president is con-
fident his troops will remain loyal
and that the uprising will quickly be
quelled. He is encouraged not only
by expressions of loyalty of workers
but by reports of differences among
the rebels, some of whom are said
to be anxious for a split with De La
Huerta, the presidential candidate
who headed the movement from the
start.

Veracruz, Dec. 17.—With the re-
ported capture of Puebla and Cuau-
tla, revolutionary headquarters here
today claimed they held the two low-
er points of a triangle which has
Mexico City as its apex. Cuautla,
which was taken yesterday accord-
ing to an insurgent communique, is
within 50 miles of the capital. Gen-
erals in command of the occupying
forces in the two cities are in close
communication, it was stated at
headquarters here.

General Art. Figueroa, in the state
of Guerrero and General J. Lagunes,
operating in the border states have
broken with the Obregon govern-
ment, the statement asserted.

El Paso, Dec. 17.—The outstand-
ing development of the revolutionary
movement as far as that section of
Mexico bordering the Texas border
is concerned was the arrest here late
last night of a man giving the name
of Colonel Lopez and who is said to
be a revolutionary leader, the of-
ficial report by Colonel Raymond
Lopez, commander of the Juarez gar-
rison of a clash between federal
troops and fiscal guards 38 miles east
of Juarez Sunday, said.

Francisco Torrealba, private sec-
retary of President Obregon, has
wired the El Paso Times that the
"first formal fighting probably will
be over Sunday or Monday," and
he added that "all probabilities in-
dicate the rebel forces will be com-
pletely routed."

TOMPKINS IS SENTENCED

Will Be Sent to the Inane
Hospital at Waupun

Milwaukee, Dec. 17.—E. Ray Tom-
pkins, real estate man, and former in-
structor at the Milwaukee Normal
school charged with the murder of
his wife, Belle Tompkins, was or-
dered committed to the criminal
insane hospital at Waupun today by
Judge A. C. Backus in municipal
court here.

A stay of execution until Thursday
was granted.

STARK COUNTY TAX SALE NETS BIG AMOUNT

Dickinson, N. D., Dec. 17.—The de-
linquent tax sale conducted by Coun-
ty Auditor Ward enriched the coun-
ty coffers by \$21,937.76, this being
the exact amount of taxes sold to
private individuals. The county bid
in taxes totaling only \$2,697.61. Most
of this amount was city lots and
a few isolated farm tracts.

The delinquent tax list was much
smaller this year and this with the
successful sale this week indicates
that the county is getting in better
financial shape. The bidding at the
sale at times was spirited and some
taxes were sold with the interest
rate at 9 per cent. Most of it how-
ever went at 12 with no competitive
bidding.

Among local men who bought were
H. A. MacKoff, Adam A. Lefor, David
Karn, C. C. Turner and others.

B. H. S. PAPERS WIN HONORS OVER MANY

Prairie Breezes Wins Second Place and Pep Third Place in Entire Northwest

A signal honor has been won by Bismarck high school in the award of second place to "Prairie Breezes", the annual of the high school of last year, and "Pep", the High School newspaper, in the North Central Interscholastic Association contest.

The award, made at Madison, Wisconsin, at a meeting of the University of Wisconsin, has been communicated to Principal Bublitz of the local high school.

The local papers won in a wholesale competition with high school publications of the states of Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Iowa. In this contest, according to Mr. Bublitz, there was free-for-all competition while in the future the schools will be classified according to the size of their respective high schools and the publications judged in classes.

Information as to who topped the local publications was not received. However, the local publications were judged in comparison to publications of high schools from such cities as Detroit, Michigan; Minneapolis, St. Paul and Duluth, Minnesota; Milwaukee and Madison, Wis.; Des Moines and Davenport, Iowa, and Sioux Falls and Aberdeen, S. D.

HUNT XMAS SEALS EARLY

Nina Wheeler Wilcox Tells Why She Gives This Advice

BY NINA WILCOX PUTNAM. Noted Author and Women's Leader.

I was making the remark the other day, to George, that my husband, that it certainly is strange how nature works, everything comes in what you might call its season. And he says why I don't know, lookit greenhouses and the way they raise hot-house carrots and so forth. I guess you don't realize it, but some people are even raising hot-house eggs by lighting up the hen-cops; I guess modern invention has got nature beat all right, that were you referring to in your column? And I say why, it is just today noticing that even stamps is seasonal, of course we have the hardy perennial pink two-center which adorns our daily-mail, all the year around, but there is also the early autumn five-cent stamp that commences to grow profuse around the time we start writing longer, fatter letters home in anticipation of a merry Christmas present or two. And what I was thinking of just now was these Christmas seals. And George, who is of a very suspicious nature, at once looked nervously over the top of the evening paper and says Christmas seals whether you mean, haven't I told you we are broke and there was nothing doing this Christmas on any seal coat? And I says isn't that just like a man, as usual you are not paying any attention to what I'm saying, nobody mentioned Christmas seal coats, I'm talking about stamps in season, and I mean these Merry Tuberculosis Christmas seals that you stick them on the rear side of your letters. And George says oh bosh! well we can't afford them, because one of the best ways to lick Tuberculosis is to lick on big sheets of them each very time they are in season which is now. And George says aw no, do you think them big organizations really do any good with that money? And I says you bet your sweet life they do, and nobody is getting any profit out of this Tuberculosis one, except the patients they treat, and the ones they keep from becoming patients. It's just another case, George, of a bunch of decent minded citizens getting together to do the government's work without any of the fancy titles of a government position. I wish you would take a bunch of them stamps and use them, too.

And George says uhuh! and made a dive for the paper again. But I was wise to that, because with George, the same as with most husbands, when they merely say uhuh they forget it promptly.

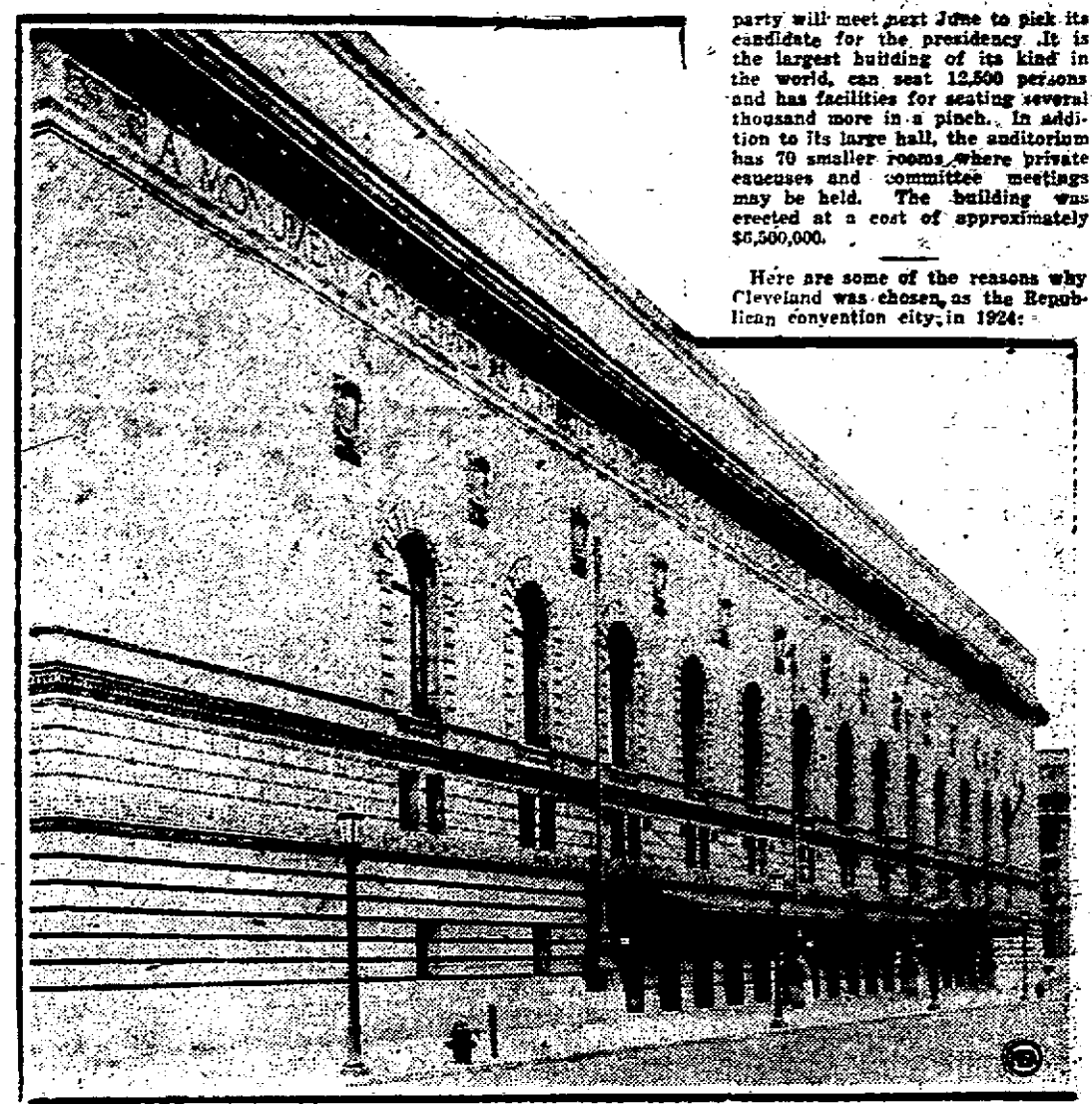
"Say, George," I says very loud and clear. "Do you realize that our Junior is going to a public school, that he rides on the public subway any plays on the public street? How would you feel if he was to pick up one of these Tuberculosis germs, eh?"

Well, there are times when George seems to realize Junior is a human, he says to the poor young one is to stop it, don't do that, what are you looking for, a licking? Or words to the same effect. But this was one of the moments when George seemed to see Junior as a citizen with rights. He actually put down the paper and, what was even further, put his hand in his pocket—the pocket where the nest-eggs is—the only egg that the male bird of the human species sits on, and George carries it in the hip pocket where it is hard to get at, the same as many other dired business men do.

"Well," says he, "I guess you better buy a few dollars worth of them Christmas seals, after all. It certainly is cheaper in the end to buy a few every year than a doctor's bill would be, and, as the saying goes, who knows?"

For Sale — Choice Canarie Singers, Imported German Rollers, Jacob Bull, Dickinson, N. Dak.

PLENTY OF ROOM FOR G. O. P. ELEPHANT IN CLEVELAND CONVENTION HALL



party will meet next June to pick its candidate for the presidency. It is the largest building of its kind in the world, can seat 12,500 persons and has facilities for seating several thousand more in a pinch. In addition to its large hall, the auditorium has 70 smaller rooms where private caucuses and committee meetings may be held. The building was erected at a cost of approximately \$6,500,000.

Here are some of the reasons why Cleveland was chosen as the Republican convention city, in 1924:

And while the pole-tits were being fought on the main floor or arena, a poultry show was in progress on the basement exhibition floor.

Basketball games, prize fights, track meets, food shows and large conventions such as the Grotto gathering last summer and last year's meeting of the National Education Association—all have taken their turn in Cleveland's mammoth hall.

When Paderewski was here last, the great pianist had a sudden case of temper when it developed he was co-starring with a flock of prize roosters on the floor below. During a rehearsal, the loud crowing of the lordly barnyard fowl could be heard above the famous Paderewski music.

And it was not until sound proof caulking of the convention, the building was housing a circus and Lincoln G. Dickey, auditorium manager, was making arrangements for a national polo tournament.

Indeed, as news came that Cleveland was to be awarded the Republican nominating convention, the building was housing a circus and Lincoln G. Dickey, auditorium manager, was making arrangements for a national polo tournament.

DECLINES TO TAKE PLACE

Appointment of Ambassador Tendered to Texas Man

Washington, Dec. 15.—R. B. Creager of Brownsville, Texas, has declined for the present an offer of appointment as ambassador to Mexico. Announcement of Mr. Creager's decision was made today at the White House in a statement which said he was unwilling to give up at this time his duties as head of the Republican party organization in that state. The statement did not say what action would be taken toward filling the Mexico City post.

United States marshals nominated today included John Rooks, district of South Dakota.

MASONS.

The Masonic club rooms are open every evening from 5:15 to 11:00 o'clock, and also Sunday afternoons from 2:00 p. m. Each Wednesday evening from 8:00 to 11:00 will be ladies evening, and all Masons and Eastern Star members who are interested in Bridge, Pool or Billiards or other games are invited to take advantage of these club rooms. Out of town members are especially invited to make these club rooms their headquarters.

Come out next Wednesday evening and help organize a series of games for the winter.

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Storage of all kinds. Rates on application. DEAD CAR STORAGE \$2.50 PER MO.
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PAROLE OFFICER DIES OF WOUNDS

St. Louis, Dec. 15.—David W. Burns, parole officer of the Kansas penitentiary, died today from bullet wounds received yesterday from one of two recaptured convicts he was returning to the prison. The shooting occurred on a Missouri-Pacific train at Alicia, Ark. Burns, who was 44 years old, was wounded four times.

2 SENTENCED TO PRISON

Found Guilty of Burglary By Court in Fargo

Fargo, Dec. 15.—Mike O'Brien and John Murray, convicted a week ago on a charge of first degree burglary, were sentenced today to 18 months and one year, respectively, in the

state penitentiary. Their sentences imposed by Judge C. M. Cooley began at noon today. They were convicted of stealing a watch and chain from Paul Laball.

A. G. Dolman, arrested in Minot on a charge of forgery in connection with the alleged theft and cashing of American Express company's travelers checks, was given a preliminary hearing yesterday and was held to the Cass county district court. In default of \$1,000 bonds he was remanded to the county jail.

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WINTER FEED BILL IS CUT BY WEATHER

Continued Mild Weather Greatly Lessens Necessity For Winter Feedings

Condition of ranges, cattle and sheep and feed supplies in North Dakota as reported by stockmen on December 1 show but nominal changes compared with a month ago, according to the monthly livestock report of J. C. Diamond of Grand Forks, Agricultural Stationer for the federal division of crop and livestock estimates. Farm prices for all classes of cattle on December 1 are shown to have averaged somewhat lower than a month ago while there was slight improvement in the price levels for sheep. The report follows:

Necessity for winter feeding to state has been greatly lessened by the continued mild weather. Condition for ranges and cattle show but nominal changes from the averages of a month ago and sheep have declined slightly. As of November 1, ranges averaged 84 per cent of a normal compared with 85 per cent on November 1 and 90 per cent on December 1, a year ago. Cattle on December 1, averaged 90 per cent of a normal compared with 89 per cent a month ago and 96 per cent a year ago, while sheep show a December 1 condition of 82 per cent of a normal compared with 84 per cent a month ago and 97 per cent a year ago. Supplies of hay and roughage are generally reported ample for a normal winter need.

Farm prices of cattle on December 1 averaged somewhat lower than the levels of a month ago, but for sheep there was some advance. For both cattle and sheep the December 1 farm and range prices are below those of a year ago. Average prevailing prices per hundred weight on farm or range on December 1, for cattle and sheep, compared with prices a month ago and a year ago.

EXCESS IN RESERVE.
New York, Dec. 15.—The actual condition of clearing house banks and trust companies for the week shows an excess in reserve of \$17,565,940. This is a decrease of \$7,080,390 over a year ago.

DIRECTS VERDICT.
Devils Lake, Dec. 15.—Judge Andrew Miller of federal court in action here directed a verdict in favor of Alex Curry and A. H. Kings of Canada, who were sued by John Higgins of Kitt Carson, Colo., and Claude H. Reed of Omaha, Neb., real estate dealers, to call \$17,500 as commissions alleged due the latter for the sale of 14 sections of Colorado land. The sale was never completed, however, yet the

real estate men, who were plaintiffs in the action, alleged that they had found a purchaser and that the defendants withdrew from the deal before the contracts were signed. action. The suit occupied two days of the judge and jury, and was the only civil case on the calendar for this session.

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BIRDZELL IS NAMED HEAD OF KIWANIS

Spirited Contest Marks First Annual Election of Organization Today

The Kiwanis club elected officers today at its first annual election. A lot of spirit and enthusiasm was aroused by hot competition for the various offices, through the action of the nominating committee. Only two of those elected were not given opposition by this committee. The election result was announced as follows:

President—Justice L. E. Birdzell.
Vice president—Dr. N. O. Ramstad.
Treasurer—J. A. Graham.
District trustee—Dr. J. O. Arnson.
Directors—John Parkinson, Dr. W. E. Cole, W. H. Webb, Ed. Cox, M. B. Gilman, S. S. Boise, A. P. Lenhart.

Scott Cameron became immediate past president. The secretary will be selected by the board of directors.

Several visitors who were present from other Kiwanis clubs responded with brief talks. They included Judge James A. Coffey of Jamestown, H. E. Frahm of Minot, J. A. Jardine of Fargo, James Harris of Burlington, C. F. Warner of Minneapolis.

MRS. RANARD, PIONEER, DIES

Fracture of Hip Fatal to 82 Year Old Washburn Woman

Mrs. Mary Renard of Washburn, 82 years old, died Saturday afternoon at a local hospital as a result of a fractured leg complicated by her advanced age. She is a pioneer of Washburn vicinity.

Mrs. Ranard, whose maiden name was Hootman, was born in Southeastern Iowa, near Kilbourne, in 1842, and spent her girlhood days in what was then a frontier state. In 1865 she married Andrew C. Ranard, a veteran of the civil war, just closed, and shortly after went with her husband to Kansas and later to the territory of Oklahoma. Averse conditions compelled their return to Iowa, and in 1882 they came to North Dakota, locating in Cass County, at Arthur. In June 1884, Mrs. Ranard came to Bismarck and from here to Conkling Township ten miles west of Washburn where her husband filed on a homestead. At that time and for a period of sixteen years, Bismarck was the nearest railroad point.

Moving to Washburn in 1892 she has been a resident of that place continuously for the past thirty-one years. Her husband died in 1909. Their four daughters, three of whom grew to womanhood, preceded their parents in death.

The deceased leaves a sister and brother in Iowa, and two grandsons, Gordon B. and Leslie R. Burgum, both of Washburn, to whom she has virtually been a mother. The former is teller in the First National Bank of Washburn and the latter pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church there.

In her love of home, church and country, her devotion to duty and willingness to sacrifice for others, Mrs. Ranard displayed the possession of those qualifications which characterized the true pioneer, and which are so indispensably necessary in the building of a new Commonwealth.

Funeral services will be held at Washburn Tuesday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock in charge of Rev. John Morange, Superintendent of the Bismarck District of the Methodist Episcopal church.

AIR RIDE IS DISASTROUS

Desire of 15-Year-Old Iowa Boy Results in Smash.

Fairfield, Ia., Dec. 17.—An overwhelming desire to ride in an airplane proved the undoing of Carl Millane, 15-year-old high school youth, who yesterday removed the plane belonging to a Waterloo, Ia., pilot from the hanger where it had been stored for the winter and started on his first flight.

Everything went all right until he sought to tilt the control lever to descend, Young Millane told his mother this morning in the hospital, where he is confined with two broken legs and a possible fractured skull. The plane was wrecked.

JOHNSON TO RUN IN S. D.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Papers to place the name of Senator Hiram Johnson before the Republicans of South Dakota as a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination

CATARRH

of head or throat is usually benefited by the use of

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ACTS



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Miss Elizabeth Gordon Hanna, granddaughter of the late Mark Hanna, is the moving spirit of the Dramatic Club of Washington, D. C., an organization of young society people. Photo shows here in costume of one of the parts she recently portrayed.

are to be filed today in the senator's behalf with the South Dakota secretary of state at Pierre.

A power of attorney has been forwarded to Pierre by Senator Johnson, together with a formal application for a place on the primary ballot.

MANY KILLED IN S. AMERICAN EARTHQUAKE

Two Small Towns Destroyed Near Ecuadorian Frontier

Bogota, Colombia, Dec. 17.—Many persons have been killed and a large number injured by an earthquake which destroyed two small towns in the region of Ipiales, near the Colombian-Ecuadorian frontier. Already 85 dead have been recovered from the ruins of Cumbal, which with the town of Chile suffered most severely from the effects of the shocks, according to the reports thus far received.

Chile is situated on the slopes of the Chile volcano, the eruption of which the present disaster is attributed.

Mayor's Wife Killed.

Among those who perished were the wife and father of the mayor of Cumbal.

The road from Cumbal to Ipiales is obstructed by great landslides, and the full extent of the earthquake has not yet been learned. Numerous surrounding villages are believed to have been badly damaged, and a commission of government officials has been sent to inspect the affected zone. As usual in such cases there are many homeless and there is a lack of food and shelter.

The earth shocks were felt along the southern frontier of Colombia, the village of Carlo Sama being destroyed. Pasto, Ipiales, Tuquerres and Ibarra were in the direct line of the earth tremors and were badly shaken. Latest reports say that serious damage was caused at Ipiales.

The volcanoes of Cumbal and Chile are in active eruption.

TAPESTRY JACQUETTE

A stunning jacquette is made of tapestry banded with fox and worn with a skirt of dark green wool.

YEP, MAGNUS HAS A BOSS—AND HE MINDS HER, TOO

Washington, Dec. 15.—Yes, Magnus Johnson has a boss!

All through his strenuous campaign days, Minnesota's new dirt farmer senator, denied the bosses held any sway over him.

But now he admits there is one person in all the world from whom he has to take orders. And that is his wife.

"But she's the only boss I've had since I quit glass blowing," says Magnus apologetically. "And she is the best boss any fellow ever had."

Mrs. Johnson, now comfortably settled in her new home in Tocoma Park, admits she doesn't look upon her stay in Washington with the same anticipation most women would.

"You know," she declares, "I wouldn't consent to come here at all until Magnus promised he would get me a cow and some chickens and not insist on me going to receptions and the other parties senator's wives usually are eager to attend."

Mrs. Johnson, though, is a close student of political affairs. There never is a question that will affect the mothers of the country, or the women voters as a whole, upon which she isn't versed.

And Magnus always talks these things over with her before he makes up his mind just how he will stand on it.



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AIRPLANE IS 20 YEARS OLD

Wrights Are Lauded on Anniversary of First Successful Flight

Dayton, O., Dec. 17.—Twenty years ago today Wilbur and Orville Wright, pioneers of American aviation, made the first successful flight in a mechanically driven airplane.

Today that epochal flight made at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, and of only 59 seconds duration was re-

called to Orville, the surviving brother, as probably the most important event in the history of aeronautics. Dayton, now the home of the Wrights, now becomes one of the great flying centers of the world and cities over the country were to hold celebrations under the direction of the National Aeronautic Association, at which accomplishment of the two brothers, will be lauded.

Mandan Man Is Injured in Wreck

Mandan, Dec. 17.—Jack Schweigert, local taxi line proprietor, is suffering from a sprained back and three fractured ribs as a result of an ac-

cident in when a Willys-Knight touring car which he was using to take home a farmer living north of Mandan skidded on a curve, turned over and was destroyed by fire. Schweigert and his passenger managed to get out of the wreckage of the car which caught fire immediately. His passenger Chas. Fraser was but slightly injured.

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My reason for selling out are purely personal, and were it not for my family, I would not consider changing.

This is a very unusual chance to secure a well established profitable business in a good section of the country.

Taylor is an up-to-date town, having modern improvements and a 4-year High School.

I will gladly give full particulars to those interested, but would suggest early action as this ad is appearing in several newspapers and I am already conferring with prospective buyers.

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No. 1 rye	48
No. 2 rye	45

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Oats	29
Barley	30
Speltz	55

New Shelled Corn

No. 3 yellow 55 lbs.	44
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The Farmers State Bank of Regan, with capital of \$15,000, surplus of \$3,500 and deposit \$111,000, and the Mohall Security Bank of Mohall, with capital of \$25,000, surplus of \$5,000 and deposits of \$29,000, have been closed, according to announcement of the state banking department. C. T. Lindsey was president and O. R. Vold vice-president of the Regan bank.

Chess-Mad Village
Stroebeck in central Germany, is a village devoted to chess since 1011 when a Count Gunzelin was imprisoned there and to pass the time made a chessboard and chessmen. Then he played with his jailers. The whole village took to the game and has played it ever since to the complete exclusion of all other pastimes. Old and young, men and women play it; the inhabitants are seldom seen without a chessboard; the children take chessboards to school; at the schools instruction is given in chess daily; every day there are chess competitions. The village hostelry is called the "Chess Inn." Yet, strangely enough, Stroebeck has never produced a world's chess champion.

A Slight Error
He was a very patient and long-suffering young man, but when at last he arrived at the corner where they had arranged to meet he ventured a reproach. "Waiting, you are late," he said, mildly.

"Only a few minutes," she protested in an injured tone. "I said I'd be here at seven o'clock and it's only twenty minutes past."

"Oh," sighed the young man, "then you must have mistaken the day. I've been waiting here since last night."

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REALIZED ERROR TOO LATE MAY ROBSON'S PLAY DECLARED BEST SHE HAS EVER PRESENTED



May Robson, whose name means everything good, clean, entertaining and artistic is booked to appear December 26 in the most wonderful play she ever had, "The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary."

Miss Robson is one artist whose visits are looked forward to with nothing but pleasure, it matters not what offering she brings, she is always more than well over for she has endeared herself to the public more than any actress on the American stage.

Miss Robson in the revival of "Aunt Mary" is gaining new laurels and "Aunt Mary" and May Robson are so closely identified that they seem like one person.

The Weather
For twenty-four hours ending at noon today:

Temperature at 7 a. m.	26
Temperature at noon	41
Highest yesterday	41
Lowest yesterday	23
Lowest last night	24
Precipitation	0.0
Highest wind velocity	14

Weather Forecast
For Bismarck and vicinity: Generally fair tonight and Tuesday. Not much change in temperature.

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Weather Conditions
The low pressure over the north-eastern Rocky Mountain slope is causing continued mild temperatures over the northern states and moderate temperatures prevail over the Great Lakes region and Mississippi Valley also. The high pressure area over the middle Rocky Mountain region is accompanied by colder weather over the region extending from Wyoming southwestward. Except for light precipitation in the extreme Northwest and in the upper Great Lakes region the weather is generally fair in all sections.

Orris W. Roberts, Meteorologist.

Plants Killdeer Mountain Resort
Killdeer, N. D., Dec. 17.—One of the most important deals ever made in this section of the county was consummated this week when A. R. Palmer rancher of Manning purchased the M. S. Cuskelly property at Outlook.

The deal includes both the Cuskelly home, a most beautiful place, the store formerly operated by C. A. Larsen, and the 160 acres of land upon which the property is located.

The feature about this deal which will interest all Dunn county people and thousands of others is the fact that Mr. Palmer contemplates making a public playground of this wonderful scenic haven. He will construct a number of cottages for rent; clean out the underbrush among the beautiful shade trees which abound there park the entire acreage.

Besides handling the store himself concessions will be given for various other attractions.

A swimming pool will be one of the first objects of Mr. Palmer's attention. This is one of the vital necessities of a summer resort in the Killdeer mountains. A huge spring high up in the mountains will be the source of supply for the pool which will be the delight and desire of thousands who visit the mountains yearly from all sections of the country.

GERMAN WHO TRAINED TURKS, DIES
Berlin, Dec. 17.—General von Ruediger Pasha died recently in Berlin at the age of 69. He had lived in Turkey several years, having trained the Turkish cavalry at Constantinople, Tripoli and Damascus. For this service Sultan Abdul Hamid conferred the title of pasha upon him and also gave him the order of Osman and of Maschud, first class.

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CIVIC CLUB TO BE FORMED

Dickinson Will Have Clearing House For Activities

Dickinson, N. D., Dec. 17.—Decision to organize a body to be known as the Dickinson Civic club and have it ready to function within the shortest possible time was reached by a large body of representative business and professional men gathered in mass meeting at the Legion club rooms in the Liberty National bank building last Monday evening.

About 40 attended the meeting called by the joint committee from the Rotary and Town Criers clubs to consider the project. All present were agreed that such an organization was the greatest need of the city at the present time and enthusiastically endorsed the suggestion to call in a Commercial club secretary from a neighboring city to explain the general program followed by his club and outline ideas.

Pres. S. T. May, of the Dickinson Normal school, presided at the meeting. A. D. Heaton acted as secretary. A committee consisting of John Orchard, E. J. Hughes and J. P. Cain was appointed by the chair to formulate plans of organization and to call in a secretary to address another meeting which will be held soon.

Several names were suggested for the proposed organization, among them being Chamber of Commerce and Commercial club. After considerable discussion, however, it was decided that the name chosen would give the club a wider field in which to work and attract a larger membership.

With but one or two exceptions these present went on record as favoring the employment of a paid secretary, to be placed in charge of all community affairs and the adoption of a program that would lead to

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\$1,600 MAGPIE BOUNTY PAID

The state of North Dakota has paid out \$1,673.55 in bounties for killing magpies since a state law providing a bounty of 15 cents for each bird killed, became effective July 1, according to records of the state auditor's office. A total of

11,157 magpies have been killed, and warrants for the bounty presented through county auditors.

BRADDOCK TO BUILD NEW SCHOOL HOUSE
Hazelton, N. D., Dec. 17.—Gilbert Horton, the architect for the Hazelton school has secured the job of drafting plans and specifications for a new school building at Braddock. The Braddock building will not be as large as the Hazelton school and is to be built at a cost of about \$30,

000. It is understood that it is to be built with a view to adding to it as conditions warrant. The structure will probably be started in the spring.

MRS. SOVEREIGN IMPROVING
W. H. Sovereign of Beulah was in Bismarck over Sunday to visit Mrs. Sovereign who is under treatment at the Bismarck hospital. Mrs. Sovereign is reported to be improving nicely.

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The Farmers' Bank of Regan, with capital of \$15,000, surplus of \$3,500 and deposit \$111,000, and the Mohall Security Bank of Mohall, with capital of \$25,000, surplus of \$5,000 and deposits of \$219,000, have been closed, according to announcement of the state banking department. C. T. Lindsey was president and O. R. Vold vice-president of the Regan bank.



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Old-Time Beggar's Pride Suffers a Fall When He Tackles Same Couple Twice.

There is pride in all trades. He was old and stumbling and his eye was red, but it had a bit of a twinkle behind it. He pulled his mouth down.
"Could you help an old one to get just a cup of coffee now?" he asked, and touched his hat as he took the coin.
This couple he had approached (your expert panhandler tackles them in couples, for most men like to show their generosity when a woman is witness) turned the corner and then, perhaps for something forgotten, turned back after a quarter of a block.
The beggar had gone on, and then he, too, turned back. Once more he approached.
"Could you help an old one to get just a cup of coffee now?" he asked.
"Did you already drink the cup I just bought you?" asked the man.
The beggar stopped short. He peered. His face fell. He smote his brow and turned on his heel and hurried off. And the laughing couple, looking back, saw him blushing to the back of his neck.
It was simply that he had wounded his own pride. To make such a blunder—tackling the same one twice and that inside of three minutes. He shuffled hurriedly and his step said as clearly as words, "Gettin' old! Gettin' old!"—New York Sun and Globe.

MYTH AS TO THE DWARFS
Supposed to Hold Up the Four Corners of the Earth—Named East, West, North, South.
Dwarfs are inhabitants of the interior of the earth and especially of large isolated rocks, in Scandinavian mythology. A dwarf was set by the gods at the corner of each of the four quarters of the earth to bear up the sky, and they were named East, West, North and South.
All the dwarfs were esteemed great artists in working metals, and weapons of marvelous properties were said to be produced from the subterranean workshops.
Dwarfs could not endure the sunlight, and if its rays touched them they were turned into stone. If a man met a dwarf away from his rock and could throw steel between him and it, it was believed, that thereby his habitation was closed up and that anything in his power could be extorted from him.
In the old Norse, echo is called the "dwarf language," probably because it was thought to be produced by the dwarfs within mountains imitating the sounds which they heard without.—Detroit News.

Hindu Rescued by Monkey Army
The Hindu has a legend that Hanuman, the monkey-faced god, with the aid of a monkey army, helped rescue the wife of the divine hero Rama from a demon. Another legend is that Hanuman brought men a stolen gift, the mango, a valued Indian fruit. For the theft the monkey was condemned to death by fire, but it escaped with only its hands, feet and face burned, and these have been black ever since. The Hanuman monkey in his native land is a privileged being. In some Hindu communities these monkeys live in the top stories of the houses of the natives. If one native bears another a grudge, he places rice or corn on the enemy's roof, and the monkey tears open the roof to secure the particles which have fallen into the crevices, so the house is opened to the rain.—Detroit News.

Father of Microscopy
Father of scientific microscopy is the title given by modern scientists to Anthony van Leeuwenhoek, a native of Delft in Holland, where he died on August 26, 1723. Although without the advantages of a liberal education, Leeuwenhoek was a microscopist of remarkable ability, and many important discoveries were made by him, the chief being undoubtedly that of the capillary circulation of the blood. He first sought to discern this in the comb of a young cock, the ear of a white rabbit, and the membrane of a bat's wing, and failed, but achieved success with the tail of a newly hatched tadpole, in which, he says, "I could distinctly perceive the whole circuit of the blood in its passage to the extremities of the vessels and its return towards the heart."

Chess-Mad Village
Stroebbeck in central Germany, is a village devoted to chess since 1011 when a Count Gnnelmin was imprisoned there and to pass the time made a chessboard and chessmen. Then he played with his jailers. The whole village took to the game and has played it ever since to the complete exclusion of all other pastimes. Old and young men and women play it; the inhabitants are seldom seen without a chessboard; the children take chessboards to school; at the schools instruction is given in chess daily; every day there are chess competitions. The village, however, is called the "Chess Inn." Yet, strangely enough, Stroebbeck has never produced a world chess champion.

A Slight Error
He was a very patient and long-suffering young man, but when at last she arrived at the corner where they had arranged to meet he ventured a remonstrance.
"Darling, you are late," he said, mildly.
"Only a few minutes," she protested in an injured tone. "I said I'd be here at seven o'clock and it's only twenty minutes past."
"Oh," sighed the young man, "then you must have mistaken the day. I've been waiting here since last night."

AT ELLENDALE
Members of the state board of administration today are at the state normal school at Ellendale, on an inspection trip.

MAY ROBSON'S PLAY DECLARED BEST SHE HAS EVER PRESENTED



May Robson, whose name means everything good, clean, entertaining and artistic is booked to appear December 26 in the most wonderful play she ever had. "The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary." Miss Robson is one artist whose visits are looked forward to with nothing but pleasure, it matters not what offering she brings, she is always more than well come for she has endeared herself to the public more than any actress on the American stage.
Miss Robson in the revival of "Aunt Mary" is gaining new laurels and "Aunt Mary" and Miss Robson are so closely identified that they seem like one person.
Dear old soul: She has her trials with her nephew "Jack" and at times she loses her patience but it all comes out right in the end.
No one in the world could originate such comedy from the misfortune of being deaf, as "Aunt Mary" does. Sometimes she is not as deaf as they think and causes some amusement thereby.
Augustus Pitou Inc., is still piloting Miss Robson's ship and as always, no check has been placed on the expenditure for a remarkable production, excellent in electrical devices and beautiful settings. A real Metropolitan cast gives Miss Robson the finishing touches to a perfect success.

The Weather
For twenty-four hours ending at noon today:
Temperature at 7 a. m. 26
Temperature at noon 41
Highest yesterday 41
Lowest yesterday 23
Lowest last night 24
Precipitation 0
Highest wind velocity 14
Weather Forecast
For Bismarck and vicinity: Generally fair tonight and Tuesday. Not much change in temperature.
For North Dakota: Generally fair tonight and Tuesday. Not much change in temperature.
Weather Conditions
The low pressure over the north-eastern Rocky Mountain slope is causing continued mild temperatures over the northern states and moderate temperatures prevail over the Great Lakes region and Mississippi Valley also. The high pressure area over the middle Rocky Mountain region is accompanied by colder weather over the region extending from Wyoming southwestward. Except for light precipitation in the extreme Northwest and in the upper Great Lakes region the weather is generally fair in all sections.
Orris W. Roberts, Meteorologist.

Plants Killdeer Mountain Resort
Killdeer, N. D., Dec. 17.—One of the most important deals ever made in this section of the county was consummated this week when A. R.

Palmer rancher of Manning purchased the M. S. Cusheley property at Oakdale.

The deal includes both the Cusheley home, a most beautiful place, the store formerly operated by C. A. Larson, and the 160 acres of land upon which the property is located.

The feature about this deal which will interest all Dunn county people and thousands of others is the fact that Mr. Palmer contemplates making a public playground of this wonderful scenic haven. He will construct a number of cottages for rent; clean out the underbrush among the beautiful shade trees which abound there park the entire acreage.

Besides handling the store himself concessions will be given for various other attractions.

A swimming pool will be one of the first objects of Mr. Palmer's attention. This is one of the vital necessities of a summer resort in the Killdeer mountains. A huge spring, high up in the mountains will be the source of supply for the pool which will be the delight and desire of thousands who visit the mountains yearly from all sections of the country.

GERMAN WHO TRAINED TURKS, DIES
Berlin, Dec. 17.—General von Knudtsch Pasha died recently in Berlin at the age of 69. He had lived in Turkey several years, having trained the Turkish cavalry at Constantinople, Tripoli and Damascus. For this service Sultan Abdul Hamid conferred the title of pasha upon him and also gave him the order of Osman and of Maschide, first class.

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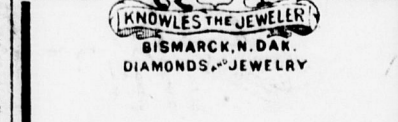
Dickinson Will Have Clearing House For Activities

Dickinson, N. D., Dec. 17.—Decision to organize a body to be known as the Dickinson Civic club and have it ready to function within the shortest possible time was reached by a large body of representative business and professional men gathered in mass meeting at the Legion club rooms in the Liberty National bank building last Monday evening. About 40 attended the meeting called by the joint committee from the Rotary and Town Criers clubs to consider the project. All present were agreed that such an organization was the greatest need of the city at the present time and enthusiastically endorsed the suggestion to call in a Commercial club secretary from a neighboring city to explain the general program followed by his club and outline ideas.

Pres. S. T. May, of the Dickinson Normal school, presided at the meeting. A. D. Heaton acted as secretary. A committee consisting of John Orchard, E. J. Hughes and J. P. Cain was appointed by the chair to formulate plans of organization and to call in a secretary to address another meeting which will be held soon.

Several names were suggested for the proposed organization, among them being Chamber of Commerce and Commercial club. After considerable discussion, however, it was decided that the name chosen would give the club a wider field in which to work and attract a larger membership.

With but one or two exceptions those present went on record as favoring the employment of a paid secretary, to be placed in charge of all community affairs and the adoption of a program that would lead to



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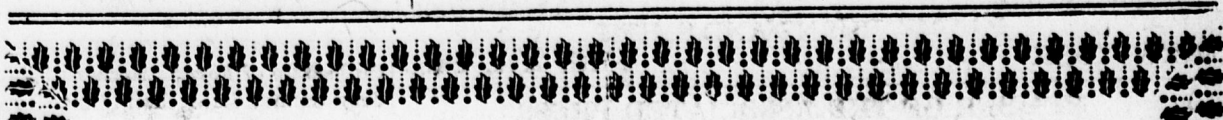
The state of North Dakota has paid out \$1,673.55 in bounties for killing magpies since a state law providing a bounty of 15 cents for each bird killed, became effective July 1, according to records of the state auditor's office. A total of

11,157 magpies have been killed, and warrants for the bounty presented through county auditors.

BRADDOCK TO BUILD NEW SCHOOL HOUSE
Hazelton, N. D., Dec. 17.—Gilbert Horton the architect for the Hazelton school has secured the job of drafting plans and specifications for a new school building at Braddock. The Braddock building will not be as large as the Hazelton school and is to be built at a cost of about \$30,000.

It is understood that it is to be built with a view to adding to it as conditions warrant. The structure will probably be started in the spring.

MRS. SOVEREIGN IMPROVING
W. H. Sovereign of Beulah was in Bismarck over Sunday to visit Mrs. Sovereign who is under treatment at the Bismarck hospital. Mrs. Sovereign is reported to be improving nicely.



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| Floor Lamps | Book Ends |
| Pictures and Frames | Fancy China |
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BIRDZELL IS NAMED HEAD OF KIWANIS

Spirited Contest Marks First Annual Election of Organization Today

The Kiwanis club elected officers today at its first annual election. A lot of spirit and enthusiasm was aroused by hot competition for the various offices, through the action of the nominating committee. Only two of those elected were not given opposition by this committee. The election results was announced as follows:

President—Justice L. E. Birdzell.
Vice president—Dr. N. O. Ramstad.
Treasurer—J. A. Graham.
District trustee—Dr. J. O. Arnson.

Directors—John Parkinson, Dr. W. E. Cole, W. H. Webb, Ed. Cox, M. B. Gilman, S. S. Boie, A. P. Lenhart.

Scott Cameron became immediate past-president. The secretary will be selected by the board of directors.

Several visitors, who were present from other Kiwanis clubs responded with brief talks. They included Judge James A. Coffey of Jamestown, H. E. Frann of Minot, J. A. Janine of Fargo, James Harris of Carlingford, C. F. Warner of Minneapolis.

MRS. RANARD, PIONEER, DIES

Fracture of Hip Fatal to 82 Year Old Washburn Woman

Mrs. Mary Ranard of Washburn, 82 years old, died Saturday afternoon at a local hospital as a result of a fractured leg complicated by her advanced age. She is a pioneer of Washburn vicinity.

Mrs. Ranard, whose maiden name was Hootman, was born in Southeastern Iowa, near Kilbourne, in 1842, and spent her girlhood days in what was then a frontier state. In 1885 she married Andrew C. Ranard, a veteran of the civil war, just closed, and shortly after went with her husband to Kansas and later to the territory of Oklahoma. Averse conditions compelled their return to Iowa, and in 1882 they came to North Dakota, locating in Cass County, at Arthur. In June 1884, Mrs. Ranard came to Bismarck and from here to Conkling Township ten miles west of Washburn where her husband filed on a homestead. At that time and for a period of sixteen years, Bismarck was the nearest railroad point.

Moving to Washburn in 1892 she has been a resident of that place continuously for the past thirty-one years. Her husband died in 1909. Their four daughters, three of whom grew to womanhood, preceded their parents in death.

The deceased leaves a sister and brother in Iowa, and two grandsons, Gordon B. and Leslie R. Burgum, both of Washburn, to whom she has virtually been a mother. The former is Teller in the First National Bank of Washburn and the latter Pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church there.

In her love of home, church and country, her devotion to duty and willingness to sacrifice for others, Mrs. Ranard disclosed the possession of those qualifications which characterized the true pioneer, and which are so indispensably necessary in the building of a new Commonwealth.

Funeral services will be held at Washburn Tuesday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock in charge of Rev. John Morange, Superintendent of the Bismarck District of the Methodist Episcopal church.

AIR RIDE IS DISASTROUS

Desire of 15-Year-Old Iowa Boy Results in Smash

Fairfield, Ia., Dec. 17.—An overwhelming desire to ride in an airplane proved the undoing of Carl Millane, 15-year-old high school youth, who yesterday removed the plane belonging to a Waterloo, Ia., pilot from the hangar where it had been stored for the winter and started on his first flight.

Everything went all right until he sought to tilt the control lever to descend. Young Millane told his mother this morning in the hospital, where he is confined with two broken legs and a possible fractured skull. The plane was wrecked.

JOHNSON TO RUN IN S. D.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Papers to place the name of Senator Hiram Johnson before the Republicans of South Dakota as a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination.

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(Photo Copyright, Harris & Ewing)
Miss Elizabeth Gordon Hanna, granddaughter of the late Mark Hanna, is the moving spirit of the Dramatic Club of Washington, D. C., an organization of young society people. Photo shows her in costume of one of the parts she recently portrayed.

are to be filed today in the senator's behalf with the South Dakota secretary of state at Pierre.
A power of attorney has been forwarded to Pierre by Senator Johnson, together with a formal application for a place on the primary ballot.

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MANY KILLED IN S. AMERICAN EARTHQUAKE

Two Small Towns Destroyed Near Ecuadorian Frontier

Bogota, Colombia, Dec. 17.—Many persons have been killed and a larger number injured by an earthquake which destroyed two small towns in the region of Ipiales, near the Colombian-Ecuadorian frontier. Already 25 dead have been recovered from the ruins of Cumbal, which with the town of Chila suffered most severely from the effects of the shocks, according to the reports thus far received.

Chila is situated on the slopes of the Chile volcano, to the eruption of which the present disaster is attributed.

Mayor's Wife Killed.
Among those who perished were the wife and father of the mayor of Cumbal.

The road from Cumbal to Ipiales is obstructed by great landslides and the full extent of the earthquake has not yet been learned. Numerous surrounding villages are believed to have been badly damaged, and a commission of government officials has been sent to inspect the affected zone. As usual in such cases there are many homeless and there is a lack of food and shelter.

The earth shocks were felt along the southern frontier of Colombia, the village of Carlo Sama being destroyed. Pasto, Ipiales, Quercueres and Barro were in the direct line of the earth tremors and were badly shaken. Latest reports say that serious damage was caused at Ipiales. The volcanoes of Cumbal and Chila are in active eruption.

TAPESTRY JACQUETTE
A stunning jacquette is made of tapestry banded with fox and worn with a skirt of dark green wool.

YEP, MAGNUS HAS A BOSS—AND HE MINDS HER, TOO

Washington, Dec. 15.—Yes, Magnus Johnson has a boss!
All through his strenuous campaign days, Minnesota's new dirt farmer senator, denied the bosses held a sway over him.
But now he admits there is one person in all the world from whom he has to take orders. And that is his wife.

"But she's the only boss I've had since I quit glass blowing," says Magnus apologetically. "And she is the best boss any fellow ever had."

Mrs. Johnson, now comfortably settled in her new home in Tacoma Park, admits she doesn't look upon her stay in Washington with the same anticipation most women would.

"You know," she declares, "I wouldn't consent to come here at all until Magnus promised he would get me a cow and some chickens and not insist on my going to receptions and the other parties senator's wives usually are eager to attend."

Mrs. Johnson, though, is a close student of political affairs. There never is a question that will affect the mothers of the country, or the women voters as a whole, upon which she isn't versed.

And Magnus always talks these things over with her before he makes up his mind just how he will stand on it.

AIRPLANE IS 20 YEARS OLD

Wrights Are Lauded on Anniversary of First Successful Flight

Dayton, O., Dec. 17.—Twenty years ago today Wilbur and Orville Wright, pioneers of American aviation, made the first successful flight in a mechanically driven airplane.

Today that epochal flight made at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, and of only 59 seconds' duration was recalled in many ways.

called to Orville, the surviving brother, as probably the most important event in the history of aeronautics. Dayton, now the home of the Wrights, now becomes one of the great flying centers of the world and cities over the country were to hold celebrations under the direction of the National Aeronautic Association; at which accomplishment of the two brothers, will be lauded.

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eldest in when a Willys-Knight touring car, which he was using to take home a farmer living north of Mandan skidded on a curve, turned over and was destroyed by fire. Schwegert and his passenger managed to get out of the wreckage of the car which caught fire immediately. His passenger Chas. Fraser was but slightly injured.

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SPEED CRAZE

A safety first enthusiast writes: "Why was so much attention paid to the wreck of the Twentieth Century Limited, killing nine, when at least five times that many were killed the same day by autos here in America alone?"

The answer is, the big train wreck was spectacular. It was the wreck of the train, rather than the actual loss of life, that appealed to popular imagination.

The Twentieth Century wreck was an international story, for this train symbolizes the Speed Idol, so widely worshipped in our generation. This train is famous all over the world—principally for its speed, since the average person gives secondary attention to the train's comforts and the services it renders.

Ours is a nervous generation, impatient, restless, eager to be up and moving. Many individuals are about as speedy as molasses in zero weather. But the national tendency is toward speed.

People rush their eating, gulp their meals. They may move deliberately, but in the main they are ever on the lookout for shortcuts of methods and mechanism that will hurry their work. They even rush their entertainment—start leaving the theater before the final curtain, as if getting to the exit ahead of their neighbors were a life-and-death matter.

All this worried rush, of course, is an indication of diseased nerves rather than impulsive industriousness or desire to accomplish.

Occasionally we are reminded, by a catastrophe like the Twentieth Century wreck or an auto crash, that speed has its price. The real and greater price is shattered nerves and existence made unnecessary wretched and disagreeable by hurry without motive.

The man with Speed Mania must be a great admirer of the inventor of the automatic hearse, which certainly is Speed Plus.

ANTI-PROHIBITION CONFERENCE

Liquor makers held an anti-prohibition conference in London, where the Daily Mail in its report of the meeting recorded:

"Mr. H. F. Fox (United States) said that police statistics in his country, while showing more drunkenness under prohibition, did not tell of what was going on in the people's homes or behind closed doors in private clubs. There had been a startling increase in motor accidents due to drunken drivers, in divorces, suicides and homicides."

That first sentence is partly correct. The last sentence is bunk.

SLUR IN NOVEL

Dorothy Grace Harnett, in Ireland, is sued for divorce by her husband, on the ground that she "used" him slurpingly as a character in her new book, "Lex Talonis."

Just how far should a fiction writer go in using his friends as material? Not at all, according to some writers' ethics. O. Henry respected the whole feminine sex so much that, as you've noticed, he used love plots only incidentally, without intense sex appeal. You recall the celebrated American novelist who was shot and killed some years ago by the brother of a woman he'd used in a serial story.

DOYLE ON RILEY

Conan Doyle stirs up a hornet's nest in Indiana by saying that James Whitcomb Riley, the greatest poet of childhood in his generation, cared nothing for children—in fact, was bored by them. Some psychologists claim that writers do their best work on subjects they're not in sympathy with, just as many a drunk has given fine "dry" lectures.

Riley, however, adored children—so much so that he often affected a dislike for them, to conceal a sentiment so keenly developed in him that he was almost ashamed of it. Many a man has tears in his eyes while he's blustering his disdain for something emotional.

TELEPHONE IS SHORT-CUT

A New York brokerage house pays \$750,000 a year for its telephone service. You can imagine the infinite amount of "running about" that would be necessary if messenger boys had to do the work performed by these brokers' phones. In fact, it would be a physical impossibility to conduct their business without phones.

Yet many now living can recall when the telephone was not as widely used as the airplane is today. The time is coming, and not far off, when people will say: "How did they ever get along without airplanes? Why, we simply couldn't live without them."

NINETY PER CENT ANTICIPATION

We're increasingly impressed by the number of people that die suddenly just when they are expecting to do things for which they had planned a long time. Patrick J. Bronner of Boston toiled getting his business in shape so he could spend the winter in Florida. His trunks were packed. He died a few hours before train time.

Life is 90 per cent anticipation. The other 10 per cent is divided between realization and unexpected collapse of plans. Goals are rarely reached. But the journeys toward the goals are what really count, after all.

STAR OF BETHLEHEM

A study of the records of ancient Chinese astronomers reveals that a giant comet appeared in the sky at the birth of Christ, says a writer in Mentor magazine for December. This comet coincides with the Star of Bethlehem, for it was so placed that, if viewed from the gate of Jerusalem, it would appear to stand above Bethlehem.

Chinese history also has a record of a deluge that corresponds in time to Noah's flood.

Science steadily verifies the authenticity of the Bible.

EDITORIAL REVIEW

Comments reproduced in this column may or may not express the opinion of The Tribune. They are presented here in order that our readers may have both sides of important issues which are being discussed in the press of the day.

FARGO'S TROUBLE

On account of the warm weather the people of Fargo are fearful that they cannot hold their annual ice carnival on New Year's day. If the ice crop fails, those who have been making a living off that crop will have to diversify. They will have to go raising bananas, peanuts, sweet potatoes, etc. The reason for this warm weather at this time of the year is said to be because when they had that earthquake in Japan some time ago the earth was precipitated about 700 miles nearer the sun, that's why it is so warm just now.—Valley City Times-Record.

THE RELAPSE OF MEXICO

The great period of development in Mexico was during the reign of Porfirio Diaz. The man was undoubtedly a tyrant. Under his iron hand there was scarcely any personal liberty. The peon worked when, where, and as he was ordered. Diaz was president in name; he was emperor in fact. But in those days the meanest peon was in better condition than during the dark years after the revolution of 1911. Under Diaz he got his food, his clothes, and a place to sleep. But he often lacked these necessities during the post-Diaz years in which the Mexicans were accepting the pretense that they were governing themselves. The average Mexican was helpless in the whirl of revolution and counter-revolution, of men who were handing one day and heads of government the next.

Then Obregon became president. Since early in his administration, there has been a distinct improvement. He gave the country more freedom and more stability. Business began to prosper again. He reduced the army grade. He made a better administrative record than any other president since Diaz. There were many things in his administration and in his official language which we condemned, but we had to remember that his first job was to hold his office, and so he had to placate his people.

All in all, Obregon's administration gave us reason to hope that Mexico was at last going to prove herself capable of self-government. Impressed by six achievements, our State Department concluded a treaty with Mexico. The rest of the world believed with us that a new era of cordial and mutually beneficial relations with Mexico was at hand.

And suddenly Adolfo de la Huerta, former member of Obregon's cabinet, revolts. He captures Vera Cruz and many other chief cities. The country is again in arms. Mexico City is in danger. The son is again caught in the whirl of uncertainty. So far as he knows, Obregon is ruling him today, but who will rule him tomorrow? Calles? Calles? Or some dark horse?

It is a pity, and it is a shock to our optimism. Mexico has repeated, in her usual fashion, it leads us to wonder whether she does not need another Diaz. Wouldn't it be better, after all, if she were ruled by an iron hand for a few years?—Chicago Journal of Commerce.

MANDAN NEWS

ARREST TWO ON LIQUOR CHARGES

E. B. Ward of Fort Rice was released on a \$1,000 bond Saturday following his arraignment before Justice C. E. Olson on charges of having two moonshine stills in his possession and in their operation.

Joe Solomon of seven miles southwest of Glen Ullin was arraigned today in Mandan charged with non-support of his wife and family. Mike Kline of New Salem was taken into custody and placed in jail for appearance before Judge Berry at the January term of court. His place was raided by prohibition agents a few weeks ago and is charged with violating the Volstead laws and was unable to furnish bond.

A number of civil and court causes will be heard in Morton County district court beginning Thursday morning Jan. 3, according to the announcement of Judge H. L. Berry. Forty jurors will be called for duty at the term which will open jury cases Monday, afternoon, Jan. 7.

Officers for the Fair Board will be elected Friday, Dec. 28 at the Commercial club rooms according to the announcement of Dr. K. Bjornson, secretary of the Missouri Slope Fair Association and board of directors Saturday. The present board is composed of John Dawson, president; J. W. Smith, J. I. Rovig, H. M. Penning, and Dr. Bjornson. At this time plans for the combination of the Fair and the Mandan Round-up will be considered.

Marriage licenses were issued to Kda L. Nydigger of Timmer and Walter A. Wagy of Shields Friday and to Hulda Mae Monson and Tobias Olson Saturday by the County Judge.

All Arranged.
She—Oh, I wish the Lord had made me a man!
He (bashfully)—He did. I'm the man.—Punch Bowl.

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Santa Gets a Headache



The Tangle

LETTER FROM LESLIE PRESCOTT TO LESLIE PRESCOTT, CONTINUED

"Would it have been, John, an unpardonable sin if Ruth has come by that money in either of the ways you mention?" I asked sarcastically. "I was very angry by this time. 'Surely, even the most honorable of men must realize that Ruth Ellington could not conveniently starve just because her blackguard husband has not only betrayed all his friends but betrayed her as well. Suppose Ruth did have a little money that she had put away from the meager sums Harry Ellington had given her. It was hers, was it not? Do you think she should have given it up to his creditors presumably to whitewash a reputation that was beyond repair? Would you, for instance, have taken, as something rightfully belonging to you, the very money she depended upon to open a little business whereby she might make an honest living after her life had been shattered into bits by a dirty scandal?"

"Of course not, Leslie! I am just telling you what people are saying." "Then when they say it to you, Jack, it is up to you to say to them just what I have been telling you." "Everybody doesn't say that, Leslie. More people are saying that Walter Burke gave her the money." "Well, let's look at that without prejudice. When Harry Ellington left his wife without a cent and she had no way to turn, and all you men who had befriended him declined to befriend the woman he had betrayed even worse than he had you—" "Hold on, Leslie, she never came to me for anything," interrupted Jack. "Of course she didn't come to you

for anything. And knowing her as I do, I know she probably did not go to Walter Burke for anything. But you must have known she was penniless. We will put the case a little differently. Suppose your friend, Sydney Carton, had left Paula Perier without a cent, isn't it just possible that you might have felt you should do something for the poor girl?"

"Jack, who was standing by the mantel, dropped heavily into a chair. 'My God, Leslie, what do you mean by that?' 'Just exactly what I say. Would you advise either Paula Perier or Ruth Ellington to starve rather than to take money from a friend just because that friend happened to be a supposing case, but I tell you honestly if I were in Ruth's place I would have kept everything I could out of the wreck and I would have taken from any one of the men I knew enough money to set me up in business. I think Ruth has been very brave in the matter and I am going to stand by her through thick and thin.'"

"Well, I never did like her." "I can't help whether you like her or not, Jack, you have a great many friends that I don't like and you are hanging to a man now that is making both you and me a great deal of trouble. I don't see how Sydney Carton thinks he is going to get out of this matter. You say he has gone out to Hollywood. Even if he marries that girl with all the gossip there has been about her, surely he cannot bring her back here." "My God, my God! How women do jump at conclusions!" shouted Jack as he went out the door.

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EVERETT TRUE

BY CONDO



Tom Sims Says

Well, Coolidge announces he is running for president but it didn't quite come as a bombshell.

Cleveland gas is so low it needs a political convention now more than it will next spring.

Congress shows 68 bald heads in the House of Representatives and there may be many more soon.

Long debates are expected in Congress. It's a bitter session. Our language will suffer heavily.

With a million other things he could worry about one congressman has a bill on canary birds.

Mellon announces paper money designs will be changed. Let's hope the new bills last longer.

Average auto uses 425 gallons of gas a year, barring accidents.

Your lot could be much worse. A man in a Seattle jail has 18 wives and Christmas is coming.

So many new kinds of money are being put into circulation you can't tell cash from coupons.

Anything can happen now. French football team played a German team in Germany without any damage.

Remains of an ichthyosaurus were found in Nova Scotia. Remember the name in case you meet one.

Robberies are increasing in New York because it is so easy to coax a stranger into a cellar.

Mah Jongg sets are popular this Christmas. Mah Jongg sets are dominoes with a college education.

Your wife may keep you in hot water. Could be worse. A Spanish one boiled her hubby in oil.

Springfield (Vt.) couple have a house on wheels. It's the best way, if you talk about the neighbors.

Wisconsin phonograph dealer is in jail. But not, as some readers may think, for selling phonographs.

We may change our money, but Europe still has designs on it.

Los Angeles girl of 14 thinks she is a wild horse. If she was a dark horse she could be a politician.

Los Angeles movie star's auto hit a train. She was driving. Can't always get by on your looks.

There are more autos than houses in New Hampshire. Many people have more autos than money. Also, more autos than sense.

A whistling buoy was washed across the ocean, so maybe it whistled to keep its spirits up.

A boy of 15 led Harvard in his exams and attracted almost as much attention as a football player.

Man in Atlanta, Ga., is the dad of 28 children. All he can say is a full house beats a pair.

Some call it a race between Mr. S. Bonus and Mr. L. Taxes.

Fined for Playing Mah Jongg.

Kuala Lumpur, Malay—Mah Jongg has taken the United States and Great Britain by storm. But authorities here frown upon it. Eight Chinese, recently arrested for playing it at a private residence, have been fined \$5 each. The household was assessed \$35. About \$100 was on the table when the police broke up the game.

MAH-JONGG BY J. P. BABCOCK

Leading Mah Jongg Authority and Author of Babcock's Red Book of Rules

In my last article I explained the object of Mah Jongg as being the completion of a hand in four sets of three and a pair. You will remember that, immediately following the draw, each player had 13 tiles, except East Wind, who had 14. Thus as four sets of three and a pair total 14, it is obvious that East is the only one who could Mah Jongg on an original hand. The chances of the other players (and of East also after play starts) come through a system of drawing and discarding.

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Another Draw

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ADVENTURE OF THE TWINS

By Olive Roberts Barton

This was the next riddle that the Riddle Lady made up in Riddle Land:

"I'm worn by both beggar and knight, Sometimes I am loose, sometimes tight. Quite often I feel A bit down at the heel, And then without doubt I'm a sight."

"Sometimes I am tall, sometimes flat, As often I'm thin as I'm fat, The older I grow, The more wrinkles I show, But I'm never upset about that."

"Though my body's as black as a coal, You must know that I boast of a sole, But the thing that I fear, With old age drawing near, Is that it wears into a hole."

"I walk further far than I ride, For I have a remarkable stride, But the thing that is droll, When I go for a stroll, Why, I carry my tootsies inside!"

"I button up tight, or I lace, And I whisper that's not a disgrace, And I've ten perfect toes, Though I haven't a nose, And my tongue is as long as my face."

"I've a twin brother, too, if you please! They say we're as like as two peas, We are always together, No matter what weather, And but for goshaws we'd freeze."

"Puss-in-Boots stroked his whiskers thoughtfully. 'I might guess the answer if I tried very hard,' he said, 'but I don't think I fail to take advantage.'"

"That's what I think," said the Old Woman Who Had So Many Children She Didn't Know What To Do.

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"What's all the talking about?" she remarked. "I was just on my way to the cobbler's to get my shoes mended."

"Hey! What's that?" the Old Woman wanted to know. "I'm a little hard of hearing."

"Shoes!" yelled Goody. "I said that I—"

But she hadn't time to finish for all the Riddle Land people called out, "She's guessed the riddle. Goody-Two-Shoes guessed the answer without even hearing it. She gets the prize."

Nancy ran to the lucky little girl. "Here," she said, "Here is a pair of nice little red shoes. You won't have to go to the cobbler's after all." (To Be Continued)

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PEOPLE'S FORUM

Editor Tribune:

Let these be our New Year's resolutions:

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To demonstrate our self esteem to

ONLY 15



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AT THE MOVIES

THE ELTINGE
"The Purple Highway" which shows at the Eltinge theatre today and tomorrow, Monday and Tuesday brings Madge Kennedy prominent star of the stage and screen in a Paramount picture with Monte Blue as leading man. The picture is appealing and thrilling with touches of real comedy. Will Rogers is also on the program in his new comedy, "Unrehearsed Movies."

First he is seen as Lem Skagwell, a reform investigator sent to Hollywood to ferret out choice morsels of scandal. In turn, he portrays the two-fisted, gun-toting William S. Hart; the hard-riding, successful master of the saddle, Tom Mix; that peerless model of handsome masculinity, Randolph Valentino; and lastly, he impersonates himself. He makes some good-natured fun and satire at D. W. Griffith, Douglas Fairbanks and Mary Pickford, and Cecil De Mille and that much discussed "human touch" in pictures.

Tribune Want Ads Bring Results

SEVEN ESCAPE FROM STEAMER

Marshfield, Ore., Dec. 17.—Seven men who elung last night to the wreck of the steam schooner C. A. Smith, which piled up on the north jetty of Coos Bay yesterday put off in one of the ship's boats early today and were picked up by the tug Oregon.

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Clam Chowder.—Clean, pick over one quart of clams, using a cupful of cold water; drain, reserving the liquor and heat to the boiling point, then strain. Chop fine the hard parts of the clams, cut pork into small pieces, using a one and one-half inch cube of fat salt pork to try out in an iron frying pan; add one sliced onion, fry for five minutes. Parboil four cupfuls of potatoes cut into cubes for five minutes in boiling salted water; drain and put a layer of the potatoes in the bottom of the chowder kettle, add the chopped clams, sprinkle with salt and pepper, dredge with flour, add the remaining potatoes, sprinkle again with salt and pepper and add two cupfuls of boiling water. Cook ten minutes, add a quart of milk, the soft part of the clams and four tablespoonfuls of butter. Boil three minutes, then add eight milk crackers split and soaked in cold milk to moisten. Reheat the clam water and add a tablespoonful of butter and flour cooked together. Add to the chowder just as it is ready to serve as the clam liquor has a tendency to curdle the milk.

Lobster Chowder.—Remove the meat from a two-pound lobster and cut into small dice. Cream two tablespoonfuls of butter, add the liver of the lobster (the green part) and two milk crackers, scald a quart of milk with a slice of onion, remove the onion and add milk to the lobster. Cook the body bones ten minutes in water to cover, strain and add to the chowder. Season with salt and pepper and serve at once.

Corn Chowder.—Take a can of corn, four cupfuls of diced potatoes, one and one-half inch of salt pork, one sliced onion, four cupfuls of milk, eight crackers, three tablespoonfuls of butter and salt and pepper to taste. Combine as above. (© 1923, Western Newspaper Union.)

AT THE MOVIES

THE ELTINGE

"The Purple Highway" which shows at the Eltinge theatre today and tomorrow, Monday and Tuesday brings Madge Kennedy prominent star of the stage and screen in a Paramount picture with Monte Blue as leading man. The picture is appealing and thrilling with touches of real comedy. Will Rogers is also on the program in his new comedy, "Unrehearsed Movies."

First he is seen as Lem Skagwell, a reform investigator sent to Hollywood to ferret out choice morsels of scandal. In turn, he portrays the two-fisted, gun-toting William S. Hart, the hard riding, graceful master of the saddle, Tom Mix; that peerless model of handsome masculinity, Rudolph Valentino; and lastly, he impersonates himself. He pokes some good-natured fun and satire at D. W. Griffith, Douglas Fairbanks and Mary Pickford, and Cecil De Mille and that much discussed "human touch" in pictures.

Picture Want Ads Bring Results

SEVEN ESCAPE FROM STEAMER

Marshfield, Ore., Dec. 17.—Seven men who clung last night to the wreck of the steam schooner C. A. Smith, which piled up on the north jetty of Coos Bay yesterday put off in one of the ship's boats early today and were picked up by the tug Oregon.

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SPEED CRAZE
A safety first enthusiast writes: "Why was so much attention paid to the wreck of the Twentieth Century Limited, killing nine, when at least five times that many were killed the same day by autos here in America alone?"
The answer is, the big train wreck was spectacular. It was the wreck of the train, rather than the actual loss of life, that appealed to popular imagination.
The Twentieth Century wreck was an international story, for this train symbolizes the Speed Idol, so widely worshiped in our generation. This train is famous all over the world—principally for its speed, since the average person gives secondary attention to the train's comforts and the services it renders.

Ours is a nervous generation, impatient, restless, eager to be up and moving. Many individuals are about as speedy as molasses in zero weather. But the national tendency is toward speed.

People rush their eating, gulp their meals. They may move deliberately, but in the main they are ever on the lookout for shortcuts of methods and mechanism that will hurry their work. They even rush their entertainment—start leaving the theater before the final curtain, as if getting to the exit ahead of their neighbors were a life-and-death matter.

All this worried rush, of course, is an indication of diseased nerves rather than impulsive industriousness or desire to accomplish.

Occasionally we are reminded, by a catastrophe like the Twentieth Century wreck or an auto crash, that speed has its price. The real and greater price is shattered nerves and existence made unnecessary wretched and disagreeable by hurry without motive.

The man with Speed Mania must be a great admirer of the inventor of the automatic hearse, which certainly is Speed Plus.

ANTI-PROHIBITION CONFERENCE
Liquor makers held an anti-prohibition conference in London, where the Daily Mail in its report of the meeting recorded.

"Mr. H. F. Fox (United States) said that police statistics in his country, while showing more drunkenness under prohibition, did not tell of what was going on in the people's homes or behind closed doors in private clubs. There had been a startling increase in motoring accidents due to drunken drivers, in divorces, suicides and homicides."

That first sentence is partly correct. The last sentence is bunk.

SLUR IN NOVEL
Dorothy Grace Harnett, in Ireland, is sued for divorce by her husband, on the ground that she "used" him slurpingly as a character in her new book, "Lex Talionis."
Just how far should a fiction writer go in using his friends as material? Not at all, according to some writers' ethics. O. Henry respected the whole feminine sex so much that, as you've noticed, he used love plots only incidentally, without intense sex appeal. You recall the celebrated American novelist who was shot and killed some years ago by the brother of a woman he'd used in a serial story.

DOYLE ON RILEY
Conan Doyle stirs up a hornets' nest in Indiana by saying that James Whitcomb Riley, the greatest poet of childhood in his generation, cared nothing for children—in fact, was bored by them. Some psychologists claim that writers do their best work on subjects they're not in sympathy with, just as many a drunk has given fine "dry" lectures.
Riley, however, adored children—so much so that he often affected a dislike for them, to conceal a sentiment so keenly developed in him that he was almost ashamed of it. Many a man has tears in his eyes while he's blustering his disdain for something emotional.

TELEPHONE IS SHORT-CUT
A New York brokerage house pays \$750,000 a year for its telephone service. You can imagine the infinite amount of "running about" that would be necessary if messenger boys had to do the work performed by these brokers' phones. In fact, it would be a physical impossibility to conduct their business without phones.
Yet many now living can recall when the telephone was not as widely used as the airplane is today. The time is coming, and not far off, when people will say: "How did they ever get along without airplanes? Why, we simply couldn't live without them."

NINETY PER CENT ANTICIPATION
We're increasingly impressed by the number of people that die suddenly just when they are expecting to do things for which they had planned a long time. Patrick J. Bronner of Boston toiled getting his business in shape so he could spend the winter in Florida. His trunks were packed. He died a few hours before train time.
Life is 90 per cent anticipation. The other 10 per cent is divided between realization and unexpected collapse of plans. Goals are rarely reached. But the journeys toward the goals are what really count, after all.

STAR OF BETHLEHEM
A study of the records of ancient Chinese astronomers reveals that a giant comet appeared in the sky at the birth of Christ, says a writer in Mentor magazine for December. This comet coincides with the Star of Bethlehem, for it was so placed that, if viewed from the gate of Jerusalem, it would appear to stand above Bethlehem.
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EDITORIAL REVIEW

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FARGO'S TROUBLE

On account of the warm weather the people of Fargo are fearful that they cannot hold their annual ice carnival on New Year's day. If the ice crop fails, those who have been making a living out of that crop will have to diversify. They will have to go raising bananas, peanuts, sweet potatoes, etc. The reason for this warm weather at this time of the year is said to be because when they had that earthquake in Japan some time ago the earth was precipitated about 700 miles nearer the sun, that's why it is so warm just now.—Valley City Times-Record.

THE RELAPSE OF MEXICO

The great period of development in Mexico was during the reign of Porfirio Diaz. The man was undoubtedly a tyrant. Under his down there was scarcely any personal liberty. The people worked when, where, and as he was ordered. Diaz was president in name; he was emperor in fact.
But in those days the meanest person was in better condition than during the dark years after the revolution of 1911. Under Diaz he got his food, his clothes, and a place to sleep. But he often lacked these necessities during the post-Diaz years in which the Mexicans were accepting the pretense that they were governing themselves. The average Mexican was helpless in the whirl of revolution and counter-revolution, of men who were handing one day and heads of government the next.
When Oregon became president. Since early in his administration there has been a distinct improvement. He gave the country more freedom and more stability. Business began in earnest again. He reduced the army graft. He made a better administrative record than any other president since Diaz. There were many things in his administration and in his official language which we commended, but we had to remember that his first job was to hold his office, and so he had to placate his people.

All in all, Oregon's administration gave us reason to hope that Mexico was at last going to prove herself capable of self-government. Impressed by his achievements, our State Department concluded a treaty with Mexico. The rest of the world believed with us that a new era of cordial and mutually beneficial relations with Mexico was at hand.
And suddenly Adolfo de la Huerta, former member of Oregon's cabinet, revolved. He captures Vera Cruz and many other chief cities. The country is again in arms. Mexico City is in danger. The revolution is again caught in a whirl of uncertainty. So far as he knows, Oregon is ruling him today; but he will rule him tomorrow. "What?" Calles? Or some dark horse?
It is a pity, and it is a shock to our optimism. Mexico has relapsed in her usual fashion. It adds us to wonder whether she does not need another Diaz. Wouldn't it be better, after all, if she were ruled by an iron hand for a few years?—Chicago Journal of Commerce.

MANDAN NEWS

ARREST TWO ON LIQUOR CHARGES

E. B. Ward of Fort Rice was released on a \$1,000 bond Saturday following his arraignment before Justice G. L. Olson on charges of having two moonshine stills in his possession and in their operation.
The stills of seven miles southwest of Glen Ullin was arraigned today in Mandan charged with non-support of his wife and family.
Mike Kline of New Salem was taken into custody and placed in jail for appearance before Judge Berry at the January term of court. His place was missed by prohibition agents a few weeks ago and is charged with violating the Volstead laws and was unable to furnish bond.

A number of civil and court causes will be heard in Morton County district court beginning Thursday morning Jan. 3, according to the announcement of Judge H. L. Berry Saturday. Forty jurymen will be called for duty at the term which will open jury cases Monday, afternoon, Jan. 7.

Officers for the Fair Board will be elected Friday, Dec. 28 at the Commercial club rooms according to the announcement of Dr. B. K. Bjornson, secretary of the Missouri Slope Fair Association and board of directors Saturday. The present board is composed of John Dawson, president; J. W. Smith, J. L. Rovig, H. M. Penning, and Dr. Bjornson. At this time plans for the combination of the Fair and the Mandan Round-up will be considered.

Marriage licenses were issued to Edith L. Nydigger of Timmer and Walter A. Wray of Shields Friday and to Hilda Mae Moxon and Tobias Olson Saturday by the County Judge.

All Arranged.
She—Oh, I wish the Lord had made me a man!
He (bashfully)—He did. I'm the man.—Punch Bowl.

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Santa Gets a Headache



The Tangle

LETTER FROM LESLIE PRESCOTT TO LESLIE PRESCOTT, CONTINUED

"Would it have been, John, an unpardonable sin if Ruth has come by that money in either of the ways you mention?" I asked sarcastically, for I was very angry by this time. "Surely, even the most honorable of men must realize that Ruth Ellington could not conveniently starve just because her blackguard husband has not only betrayed all his friends but betrayed her as well. Suppose Ruth did have a little money, she had put away from the meager sums Harry Ellington had given her. It was hers, was it not? Do you think she should have given it to his creditors personally to write wash a reputation that was beyond repair? Would you, for instance, have taken, as something rightfully belonging to you, the very money she depended upon to open a little business whereby she might make an honest living after her life had been shattered into bits by a dirty accident?"

"Of course not, Leslie! I am just telling you what people are saying."

"Then when they say it to you, Jack, it is up to you to say to them just what I have been telling you."

"Everybody doesn't say that, Leslie. More people are saying that."

"Well let's look at that without prejudice. When Harry Ellington left his wife without a cent and she had no way to turn, and all you men who had befriended him declined to befriend the woman he had betrayed even worse than he had you—"

"Hold on, Leslie, she never came to me for anything," interrupted Jack.

"Of course she didn't come to you"

for anything. And knowing her as I do, I know she probably did not go to Walter Burke for anything. But you must have known she was penniless. We will put the case a little differently. Suppose your friend, Sydney Carton, had left Paula Perrier without a cent, isn't it just possible that you might have felt you should do something for the poor girl?"

Jack, who was standing by the mantel, dropped heavily into a chair. "My God, Leslie, what do you mean by that?"

"Just exactly what I say. Would you advise either Paula Perrier or Ruth Ellington to starve rather than to take money from a friend just because that friend happened to be a man? Of course, John, I am only supposing cases, but I tell you honestly if I were in Ruth's place I would have kept everything I could out of the wreck and I would have taken from any one of the mob I knew enough money to set me up in business. I think Ruth has been very brave in the matter and I am going to stand by her through thick and thin."

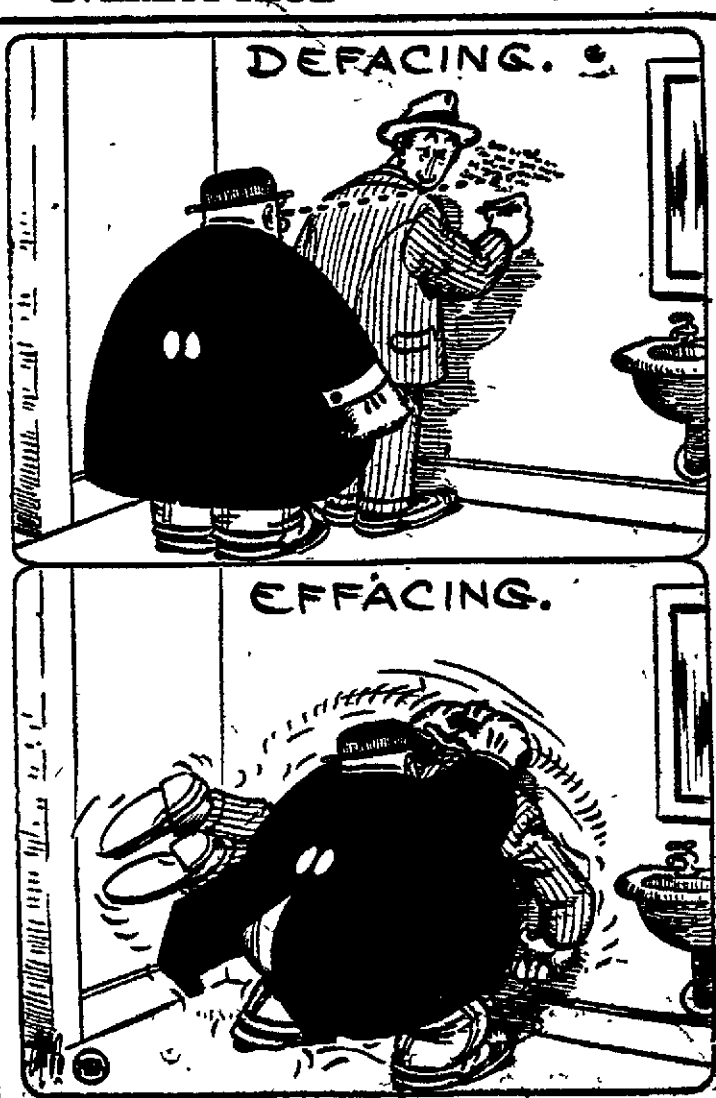
"Well, I never did like her."

"I can't help whether you like her or not, Jack, you have a great many friends that I don't like and you are hanging to you a man now that is making both you and me a great deal of trouble. I don't see how Sydney Carton thinks he is going to get out of this matter. You say he has gone out to Hollywood. Even if he marries that girl, with all the gossip there has been about her, surely he cannot bring her back here."

"My God, my God! How women do jump at conclusions!" shouted Jack as he went out the door.

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EVERETT TRUE BY CONDO



Tom Sims Says

Well, Coolidge announces he is running for president but it didn't quite come as a bombshell.

Cleveland gas is so low it needs a political convention now more than it will next spring.

Congress shows 68 bald heads in the House of Representatives and there may be many more soon.

Long debates are expected in Congress. It's a bitter session. Our language will suffer heavily.

With a million other things he could worry about one congressman has a bill on canary birds.

Mellon announces paper money designs will be changed. Let's hope the new bills last longer.

Average auto uses 425 gallons of gas a year, barring accidents.

Your lot could be much worse. A man in a Seattle jail has 13 wives and Christmas is coming.

So many new kinds of money are being put into circulation you can't tell cash from coupons.

Anything can happen now. French football team played a German team in Germany without any damage.

Remains of an Ichthyosaurus were found in Nova Scotia. Remember the name in case you meet one.

Robberies are increasing in New York because it is so easy to coax a stranger into a cellar.

Mah Jongg sets are popular this Christmas. Mah Jongg sets are demones with a college education.

Your wife may keep you in hot water. Could be worse. A Spanish one boiled her hubby in oil.

Springfield (Vt.) couple have a house on wheels. It's the best way, if you talk about the neighbors.

Wisconsin phonograph dealer is in jail. But not, as some readers may think, for selling phonographs.

We may change our money, but Europe still has designs on it.

Los Angeles girl of 14 thinks she is a wild horse. If she was a dark horse she could be a politician.

Los Angeles movie star's auto hit a train. She was driving. Can't always get by on your looks.

There are more autos than houses in New Hampshire. Many people have more autos than money. Also, more autos than sense.

A whistling buoy was washed across the ocean, so maybe it whistled to keep its spirits up.

A boy of 15 led Harvard in his exams and attracted almost as much attention as a football player.

Man in Atlanta, Ga., is the dad of 28 children. All he can say is a full house beats a pair.

Some call it a race between Mr. S. Bonus and Mr. L. Taxes.

Fined for Playboy Mah Jongg.

Kuala Lumpur, Malay—Mah Jongg has taken the United States and Great Britain by storm. But authorities here frown upon it. Eight Chinese, recently arrested for playing it at a private residence, have been fined \$5 each. The household was assessed \$35. About \$100 was on the table when the police broke in.

MAH-JONGG

BY J. P. BABCOCK
Leading Mah Jongg Authority and Author of "Mah Jongg and the Book of Rules"

In my last article I explained the object of Mah Jongg as being the completion of a hand in four sets of three and a pair. You will remember that, immediately following the draw, each player has 13 tiles, except East Wind, who had 14. Thus as four sets of three and a pair total 16, it is obvious that East is the only one who could Mah Jongg on an original hand. The chances of the other players (and of East also after play starts) come through a system of drawing and discarding. East starts by discarding one tile. This should be the tile he considers of least value to him, i. e., the one which he thinks least likely to work into a three-of-a-kind, a three-run sequence, or a pair. This depends on the remainder of his hand, and (which is true for all players) on the discards after the first play.

Another Draw
As soon as East discards, and unless someone "pung" (which is explained below), South either "chows" (which is explained below) or else draws from the wall. The draw from the wall is of the top tile in the bamboo to the left of the sequence. Then South discards and (if uninterrupted by "pung" or "chow") West, the next player to South, draws from the wall (the bottom tile of the pair of which South just drew the upper tile) and thus the play proceeds, counter-clockwise around the table.

"Pung"
When a piece is discarded, any player can "pung" it if he has two of the same denomination in the same suit in his hand. This he does by saying "pung" and picking the piece up from the table.

"Chow"
Thus, if East discards a "two bamboo" any other player, regardless of where he sits, can "pung" it if he has two or more "two bamboos" in his hand. But a player can never "pung" to fill a pair or a sequence, except when the filling of such pair or sequence will give him game, or Mah

"Chow"
A "pung" takes precedence over a "chow." The "chow" is permissible only to the player to the immediate right of the discarder. Thus when East discards, South (and South only) can "chow." When South discards, West (and West only) can "chow." An easy way to remember this is that the next in order of regular play is the only one who may "chow."

A person "chows" when he says "chow" and picks up a discard which enables him to fill a three-run sequence. Thus, when he "chows" a Four Bamboo, he holds the two and three Bamboos, or the three and five Bamboo, or the five and six Bamboo.

Last Pieces Only
A "pung" or a "chow" can only be made on the last piece discarded. All other discarded pieces are dead. Courtesy of the game demands that both punged and chowed pieces shall immediately be laid in front of the punger or chower face up, together with the two pieces which gave him authority for making the play. Thus, when a pung, the entire three-of-a-kind should be exposed before the discard, while on a chow the three cards of the sequence should be so exposed.

ADVENTURE OF THE TWINS

By Olive Roberts Barton

This was the next riddle that the Riddle Lady made up in Riddle Land:

"I'm worn by both beggar and knight,
Sometimes I am 'loose,' sometimes tight,
Quite often I feel
A bit down at the heel,
And then without doubt I'm a sight."

"Sometimes I am tall, sometimes flat,
As often I'm thin as I'm fat,
The older I grow,
The more wrinkles I show,
But I'm never upset about that."

"Though my body's as black as a coal,
You must know that I boast of a sole,
But the thing that I fear,
With old age drawing near,
Is that it wears into a hole."

"I walk further far than I ride,
For I have a remarkable stride,
But the thing that is droll,
When I go for a stroll,
Why, I carry my tootsies inside!"

"I button up tight, or I lace,
And I whisper that's not a disgrace,
And I've torn perfect toes,
Though I haven't a nose,
And my tongue is as long as my face."

"I've a twin brother, too, if you please!
They say we're as like as two peas,
We are always together,
No matter what weather,
And but for gashes we'd freeze."

"Push-in-Boots" stroked his whiskers thoughtfully. "I might guess the answer if I tried very hard," he said, "but I don't think it fair to take advantage."

"That's what I think," said the Old Woman. "Who Had-So Many Children She Didn't Know What To Do."

Goody-Two-Shoes was passing by and stopped just in time to hear the Old Woman's remark.

"What's all the talking about?" she remarked. "I was just on my way to the cobbler's to get my shoes mended."

"Hey? What's that?" the Old Woman wanted to know. "I'm a little hard of hearing."

"Sheel!" yelled Goody. "I said that!"

But she hadn't time to finish for all the Riddle Land people called out. "She's guessed the riddle. Goody-Two-Shoes guessed the answer without even hearing it. She gets the prize."

Nancy ran to the lucky little girl. "Here," she said, "Here is a pair of nice little red shoes. You won't have to go to the cobbler's after all."

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PEOPLE'S FORUM

Editor Tribune:

Let these be our New Year's resolutions:

To cease dwelling on the errors of the past and to fix our minds on the achievements of the future.

To be so obstinately calm that nothing can disturb our peace of mind.

To be kind, to be gentle and to avoid all harshness and wrath.

To devote so much of our time to self-improvement that we shall have no time to find fault with others.

To demonstrate our self esteem to

ONLY 15



The youngest freshman ever enrolled in Smith College is Lillian Yocis, of Girard, Pa. She is 15, and plans to be a teacher.

the world by great deeds and not by great words.

reflect it in smiles for every human being.

To rejoice in the success of others as well as in our own good fortune.

To be too blithe for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.

To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person we meet.

To think of the best, work for the best and expect only the best.

To avoid malice and vindictiveness as you would the plague.

Never to lose sight of the truth that the world is always on our side when the are true to the best that is in us. January 1st, 1924.

Paul Waldman Boehm, Hettiger, N. D.

One Experience Enough.
"Why don't you advertise?" Town Storekeeper: "No siree. I did once and it pretty near ruined me."

"How was that?"
"Why, people came in and bought darn near all the stuff I had."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Seeing Clearly.
Stage Hand—Did you say you wanted a window or a widow?

Show Manager—I said window, but they're both much alike. When I get near either of them I always look out.—Japan Advertiser.

The Modern Order.
Motocars are the thing now. Try to hang over the gate and talk and she gives you the gate.—Exchange.

6 more SHOPPING DAYS BEFORE Xmas



PETITIONS ON SENT TO ROADS LIGNITE RATE

Pour Into Headquarters From
All Parts of State, Ac-
cording to Word Here

ASK WITHDRAWAL

Want Railroads to Recall
Their Advanced Rate on
Lignite Coal

Petitions bearing more than 7,500 signatures of coal consumers in Minnesota, South Dakota and North Dakota, asking the railroads to withdraw the new tariff, have been forwarded to W. P. Keane, vice president of the Great Northern Ry., St. Paul; J. G. Woodworth, vice president of the Northern Pacific Ry., St. Paul; and F. R. Newman, general traffic manager of the Soo line, Minneapolis, it was learned today. They went from various parts of the state.

The petitions have been circulated by coal dealers, civil clubs and individuals in the three states who are interested in retaining present lignite freight rates. Additional petitions are in circulation and it is expected that protests will be made to the railroads by some 25,000 coal consumers through this method. The plea of the petitioners follows:

"We, the undersigned, residing in territory served by your road and dependent for economic fuel upon the lignite industry of North Dakota, do hereby protest to your railroad against the proposed increase in freight rates on lignite, on the following grounds:

1. Because the present rates on lignite do not discriminate against other competitive coals.

2. Because the increased rates would destroy the lignite industry of North Dakota.

3. Because the Northwest is at all times partially dependent upon lignite for its fuel supply.

4. Because in times of coal strikes or railway strikes the Northwest is entirely dependent upon this local coal field.

5. Because if the lignite industry is destroyed, the people of the Northwest will be at the mercy of eastern coal interests who will encounter no element of competition here.

6. Because the living to farmers and to those who depend upon these farming districts for patronage and trade, is already far higher than can readily be sustained.

7. Because the increase in freight rates would greatly increase the fuel expenses to every domestic consumer and would also reflect in the expense of electricity and manifold other purchases.

8. Because North Dakota is not now prepared to sustain the financial loss of her largest industry, one that is encouraging other industrial development and overcoming entire dependency on agriculture.

9. Because the proposed tariff is obviously discriminatory against our best interests, being a measure to aid eastern coal mines and eastern railroads.

We, the undersigned, respectfully urge you to reconsider your action and withdraw this proposed tariff.

PLAN FIGHT
Exhaustive testimony will be presented to the examiner for the Interstate Commerce Commission and the North Dakota state railroad commission in resisting the railroads' plea for an increase in lignite coal freight rates, Stanley Houck of Minneapolis, commerce attorney, said following a conference here Saturday afternoon. The first appearance will be made at Aberdeen, S. D. on January 7.

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FRENCH WILL MEET GERMANS ON THE RUHR

Premier Poincare Announces Desire of Germany for a Discussion

WILL BE LIMITED

Paris, Dec. 17.—(By the Associated Press.)—The French and German governments are to discuss the question of the Ruhr and Rhineland occupation. Premier Poincare in a statement made public last night the limitations of a proposal by Herr Von Hoesch, charge d'affaires, regarding conversations which Germany's wishes to conduct with France and with Belgium on matters connected with the occupation of German territory by French forces.

Mr. Poincare stated that his government was always willing to confer with a representative of Germany but at the same time he pointed out that certain topics would be of interest to other allied nations as well as to France he would reserve the right to confer with them before making any definite reply to Germany's proposals.

To avoid any misunderstanding, however, the premier reiterated his statement that France would never consent to take the question of reparations out of the hands of the commission instituted by the treaty nor would it consider any change of regulation not in strict conformance with the treaty. The commission continues to function as previously, regardless of the outcome of the proposed conversations, he declared.

Admitting that passive resistance in the Ruhr had apparently ended, Mr. Poincare stated that nevertheless as the inter-allied commissions of military control have not yet been able to resume their regular duties, Germany cannot claim to be loyally executing the treaty of Versailles.

SAILSTAD IS BACK HOME AS A PRISONER

Man Who Burned Body of Another to Insure Insurance Collection Returned

Superior, Wis., Dec. 17.—Edward J. Sailstad returned here last night a prisoner facing a charge of having robbed the grave of his friend, Allen McPhee, placing the body in a cottage of Lake Nebagamon, and burning the building in an attempt to convince the world that he had died.

With him came Dorothy Anderson, a pale little girl, torn by the ravages of tuberculosis. The Soo line train halted for a minute at the Bolinas street crossing and the deputy sheriff almost hurried Sailstad into a waiting automobile. Dorothy was bundled into a second car and within a few minutes both were lodged in the Douglas county jail.

As the automobile raced to the jail they passed the home of Sailstad's mother. His eyes welled with tears. A dim light shown from the front window where for the past three years a gray haired woman sat for hours brooding over the fate of her son always hoping and praying that sometime he would be found alive.

"Hello Ed. Glad to see you back. I was one of the pallbearers at your funeral," Chief of Police Art Buchanan greeted Sailstad at the county jail.

"Well I not dead, but I am wiser," answered the mystery man.

BRIBERY IS CHARGE MADE

Mobile, Ala., Dec. 17.—Warrants charging attempts to bribe United States District Attorney Aubrey Boyles and Harry G. French, federal officers, were served today and were sworn to by Charles Smith, chief deputy to the sheriff of Mobile county. The warrants followed the adjournment of the federal grand jury Saturday which returned 117 true bills and according to rumor indicted a number of county officials and at least one prominent city official.

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E. RAY TOMPKINS.

A shallow grave in a swamp at Douglas Bay, north of Milwaukee, Wis., has given up its secret. From it authorities removed the decapitated body of Mrs. Ora Belle Tompkins (left). Her husband, E. Ray Tompkins (right), wealthy real estate operator and former normal school instructor, has confessed to the murder, according to police. One of his former pupils was arrested and questioned on another charge, growing out of her alleged associations with Tompkins. She later was released on bail.

"PEP" ADJUDGED BEST PAPER IN ENTIRE N. I. P. A.

Local High School Newspaper Wins Honor in Judging Held in Grand Forks

"Pep," the Bismarck High School newspaper, was adjudged the best publication of high schools of Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Montana, which are embraced in and competed in the contest of the North Intercollegiate Press Association, which held a meeting at the University of North Dakota last week, according to members of the "Pep" staff, who returned from there Sunday.

"Prairie Breezes," the high school annual of last year, won second prize in that class. In addition to the honor awarded this year's "Pep," publications were judged by states. The Centralian, published by Central High of Minneapolis, was first in Minnesota, and Tech High School of St. Cloud was second. "Hard Lines," published at Jamestown, was first in the North Dakota class. "Crucible," published at Dickinson, was second and "Zip" of Cooperstown high and "Eagley" of Williston were tied for third.

Kenneth Preston, Louis Grambs and Gwendolen Jones of the "Pep" staff attended the meeting and learned much of value to aid in the future conduct of the high school publications. The high school journals were well received in Grand Forks, and all were housed either at fraternity or sorority houses. An effort is being made by the association to increase the number of publications.

SPEEDER'S FOE STRUCK DOWN

Justice of the Peace, Who Find Many, Is Victim Himself

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Justice Fred Beisswanger, for years a terror to speeders at Morton Grove, Illinois, lay dead today, the victim of a speeding automobile. He was struck from behind and killed by a car that then sped away.

Thus did a turn of fate bring an end to the romantic career of the small town justice for 30 years assessed fines against motorists guilty of infractions of speed laws. So inclusive had been the activities of Justice Beisswanger that he was under sentence of eight months imprisonment and a fine of \$500 for impersonating federal officers.

It is told of him that he made his citations fit the offense, no matter what the facts. Offenders were fined and paid their fines to the justice until one inquired at the federal building with the result that prosecution by the government followed.

CRISIS NEAR IN GREECE?

Athens, Dec. 17.—(By the A. P.)—The belief that a dynastic crisis is imminent in Greece is expected in some quarters here and the departure of King George is regarded as among the possibilities of the situation.

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FIRE CAUSES MILLION LOSS IN CHARLOTTE

Many Business Houses in North Carolina City Are Badly Damaged

PROBE IS UNDER WAY

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 17.—Investigation by men from the state fire commissioner's office of the fire which last night caused between \$800,000 and \$1,000,000 damage in the East Trade street mercantile district here was due to be started during the day. Ten firms suffered loss from the flames while smoke and water damaged the buildings and stocks of others.

The Smith-Ward company was the heaviest loser. Its stock, estimated at more than \$250,000 apparently being a total loss.

ESTIMATES LOSS. Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 17.—Stacy W. Wade, state insurance commissioner, after having been in communication with Sherwood Brockwell, state fire marshal of the department at Charlotte, announced that a preliminary report from Mr. Brockwell estimated the loss in the Charlotte

fire of last night to be about \$1,000,000.

ALMOST BURNED IN AUTO FIRE

Fargo, Dec. 17.—Three Breckenridge, Minn., men narrowly escaped cremation late Saturday near Rustad, Minn., when the automobile in which they were riding overturned bursting into flames and pinning them beneath the wreckage. None of the trio were seriously injured by the flames which totally destroyed all the inflammable parts of the machine.

Mr. Upton of the party, however, is in a local hospital suffering with a broken collar bone and a broken jaw.

ELKS CLUB IS ENTERED BY BURGLARS

Burglars broke in the Elks club here last night, and got about \$6 in a cash box and some cigars. The lock on the safe was broken, but apparently nothing of value was obtained from it. Police are investigating.

Thousands Attend Tharalson Funeral

Grafton, Dec. 17.—Three thousand people attended the funeral of

Thomas Tharalson, former adjutant general of North Dakota held here Sunday. Full military honors were paid to the body which was escorted to the grave by three companies of North Dakota national guard and veterans of the Spanish American and World War. Mr. Tharalson died in a government hospital in Minneapolis last Thursday.

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